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New Aurora Election Date Agreed By 1950 Council Set Aside Nomination Plan

A resolution at the final meeting of the 1950 Aurora council was passed without opposition this week. The motion by Deputy-Reeve Harry Corner called for a by-law to be presented to the 1951 council to change the election date in Aurora. Council agreed that the date should be the same as in other municipalities in York county.

Aurora has had its election a week after other municipalities. The change would require nomination day to be the last Friday in November with election day a week from the following Monday, in December.

"We certainly have the Christmas spirit tonight," said Councillor Harold Pringle. His remark followed a list of resolutions and by-laws which were passed unanimously. Among them was a by-law to purchase the public library building from the public school board for \$1.

On his motion for an election date change, Deputy-Reeve Corner said that it was his last council meeting and that he wanted to do something for the town. His second resolution, however, was shelved by council.

It dealt with a new procedure to have nominations held in the town clerk's office from 11 o'clock to 12 noon with a public meeting in the evening at which the candidates could speak. Reeve Corner's argument was that the new candidates and the public tire of sitting through nominations, mayor's address

and reports from the seven sitting council members.

He said it was unfair to any person running for the first time because his turn to speak was always late in the evening. Councillor Glass was opposed to the idea. He said there were many working men and commuters who would be unable to go to the clerk's office during the hour from 11 to 12 o'clock noon to nominate a candidate. "It would deprive them of one of the rights of citizenship," he said.

Councillor Glass insisted that the mayor's speech should be increased. Councillors are paid (Page 7, Col. 4)

COUNTRY MAIL LATE

The editor regrets that much of the usual news from the Newmarket district had not arrived through the mails by press time. All the country news which had been received in print. The late arriving mail will be printed in the next issue.

PREVENT ACCIDENTS

Care On Streets, At Home Against Season Hazards Police, Firemen Urge

Put 'careful driving' at the top of your Christmas list, says Byron Burbridge, chief constable of Newmarket. "Without more considerate driving than usual this year," Mr. Burbridge says, "there will be people celebrating a sad instead of a glad Christmas, for only one reason: because people who could have avoided accidents didn't do so."

"December's uncertain weather, its darkness at peak traffic periods, its crowds of people on the streets, should make it obvious to any sane person that extra care and courtesy are essential at this season," he said.

"The police of Newmarket have to protect people from a few foolish drivers who will not heed the repeated warnings," he said. "With conditions at their worst, police will from now on be cracking down on all drivers who violate safety laws: those who speed past rows of parked cars without a thought about the people who might appear from behind them; who fail to signal before turning across traffic; at busy intersections and above all, on those who insist on driving after drinking."

Chief Constable Fisher Dunham, Aurora, has warned holiday merry makers that there will be no leniency shown towards motorists who drink and drive during the holiday season. He urged citizens to be extra cautious of fire hazards and over indulgence during the next two weeks. Both Chief Dunham and Fire Chief Harry Jones are proud of Aurora's holiday records during Christmas and the festive week.

Recount of Ballots Being Held Today

The recount of the Newmarket vote in the council race is being held in the town clerk's office today, Thursday, Dec. 21, with Judge Honeywell presiding. The recount was asked for by Mrs. Violet Robinson MacNaughton. She was three votes less than Frank Bowser to place seventh in the contest for the six council seats.

Fund Started To Assist Fire Victims

It's tough to be burned out a week or so before Christmas, particularly when there are six children dependent upon you. There have been a lot of people who know just how tough it can be. People like Mrs. J. Hammett, Mount Albert, who asked that the basket of groceries she won last Saturday be sent to the Sargents. Or the others in Mount Albert who have canvassed for clothing and other assistance. Or the neighbors who came with clothes and bedding and furniture. Or the Newmarket Lions club with its contributions of winter clothing.

Or Frank VanMoock who operates the service station at the corner of the third and the twelfth. Mr. VanMoock gave \$5 to start a fund to assist the Sargents.

A burned out family needs a lot of help to get started again. The Sargents are a hard working family and in the opinion of their neighbors, deserve all the help they can get.

Mr. VanMoock's contribution has been banked in trust for the Sargents. This paper will acknowledge all other contributions and bank the funds.

ICE AT QUEENSVILLE

There will be skating at Queensville arena every Saturday and Wednesday evenings, also Christmas night, Dec. 25.

Family Of Eight Flee As Fire Levels Home, Lose All Possessions

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Clara Sargent was destroyed by fire on Thursday night. They and their five children lost all of their possessions except the clothes they were wearing, and the stove, washing machine and cream separator which they were able to get out with the help of neighbors.

The Sargent home was between the fifth and sixth of East Gwillimbury, the first sideroad north of the Mount Albert road. The fire is believed to have been started in the chimney and had a good start on the upstairs rooms before it was discovered.

"I was ironing the boys' clothes in the kitchen, getting them ready for the school concert at home, when I smelt smoke and sent one of the children upstairs to investigate," said Mrs. Sargent. "By then, the whole upstairs was in flames."

Mr. Sargent dashed upstairs with what water there was available but he could make no impression against the flames. The couple's first concern was to get the children out of the house. Tommy, 13, climbed into his dad's car and raced away for help. He waited at Mill Leppard's farm and led the Mount Albert fire engine to the scene.

MARKET FRIDAY P.M.

The special Christmas Market in Newmarket will be held in the town hall on Friday afternoon, not Friday morning as noted in the advertisement in last week's issue.

but the fire had too strong a hold. The brigade emptied its water tank and then refilled it at a nearby creek. They were able to save the barn but the house was a total loss.

"The firemen did a wonderful job but the fire had too strong a start," said Mrs. Sargent.

The Sargents have two boys, Tommy 13 and John 11, and three girls, Helen 14, Rose ten, Carol Ann three, and staying with them was Jacqueline Pyke, 14, from Toronto. The children lost everything except the clothes they were wearing.

At the present time, the family is staying in a house on Earl Harrison's farm where they can stay till March. "The neighbors have been simply wonderful," said Mrs. Sargent. "They have supplied us with clothes and bedding and cooking utensils and some furniture."

Mr. Sargent is a veteran of five years overseas. They had been at their farm since March, 1948. Mr. Sargent worked at the Office Specialty and Mrs. Sargent had started work in Collis Leather Co. in Aurora three weeks ago.

"They're a hard working family," said a neighbor. "It was a tough break for them."

J. Brammer Leaves Brigade After 37 Years, 11 As Chief

After 37 years on the Newmarket fire department, 11 of them as fire chief, Joseph Brammer has retired from the brigade. At the Christmas party for the firemen's children last Friday, Mr. Brammer was presented with a cheque for \$100 from the town by Mayor Joseph Vale. Frank Bowser presented him with an easy-boy chair from the firemen. Mrs. Brammer was given a bouquet of roses from the town by Reeve Arthur D. Evans.

The new chief is James Coultham who has also served many

years on the department. Election of officers was held on December 18. First lieutenant for the new year is John Gibson, second lieutenant, William Dunn, third lieutenant, Bob Peters, treasurer, Mill Cook, secretary, C. Currie, and truck captain, Renee Cook.

Mr. Brammer joined the fire department a few months after he moved to town 37 years ago. He had farmed a few miles north of Newmarket. He worked at Cain's factory and since has been employed at the Office Specialty Mfg. Co. Ltd.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, Dec. 22 8 p.m. at Sharon Township hall, nativity play, by St. James' church with carol singing. After collection. c2w50

Dance Christmas night, Dec. 25, at Club 11, Newmarket. Max Boag and his orchestra. c2w50

Monday, Dec. 25 Special Christmas dance at Victoria, to Norm Hurling and his Kingston, modern and old time. Time 8 p.m. c2w51

Friday, Dec. 29 Last dance of the year sponsored by the Sharon Junior Farmers to be held in Mount Albert hall. Norm Hurling's orchestra. Cafeteria lunch. Novelty dances. Spot prizes. Admission 50c. c2w51

Friday, Dec. 29 Youth For Christ rally, 8.15 p.m., in the Aurora High school. Come and hear Bob Kendall, Toronto rugby player, song leader and soloist Dave Williams, pianist and trumpeter; Bob Kimm, noted speaker; all ministerial students attending Bob

tonex University. Everyone welcome. c2w51

Monday, Jan. 1--At 12.05 a.m. Newmarket Lions club annual New Year's Eve dance in Newmarket High school auditorium. Hats, horns, novelties. Norm Hurling and his orchestra. Admission 50c per couple. c2w50

Monday, Jan. 1--Special New Year's dance at Heaton to Norm Hurling and his Kingston, modern and old time. Time 8 p.m. c2w51

Dancing at the Blue Bird Inn, Armistage, every Saturday night. Silvertown's orchestra. 1140

Dance to Norm Hurling and his Kingston at Heaton Memorial auditorium every Friday night. Admission 75c and 50c. c2w50

Dance to Norm Hurling and his Kingston every Saturday night in Community hall, Heaton, (standard time). Admission 50c. c2w51

CHRISTMAS FOUR DAYS AWAY

Lions Need \$200 To Complete Fund

Christmas is only four days away and the Newmarket Lions Christmas Bazaar fund has another \$200 to go if every child on the club list is to have some happiness on Christmas.

Donations to the fund have been coming in steadily and the total as we go to press is \$817. But as Christmas draws nearer, the club is learning of still more cases of want and unhappiness. Don't let them down on Christmas.

Contributions can be made to

the Era and Express, any of the Newmarket banks, or members of the Lions club. There is only a little time left. Make your own Christmas the happier in the knowledge you have helped another.

Contributions this week:

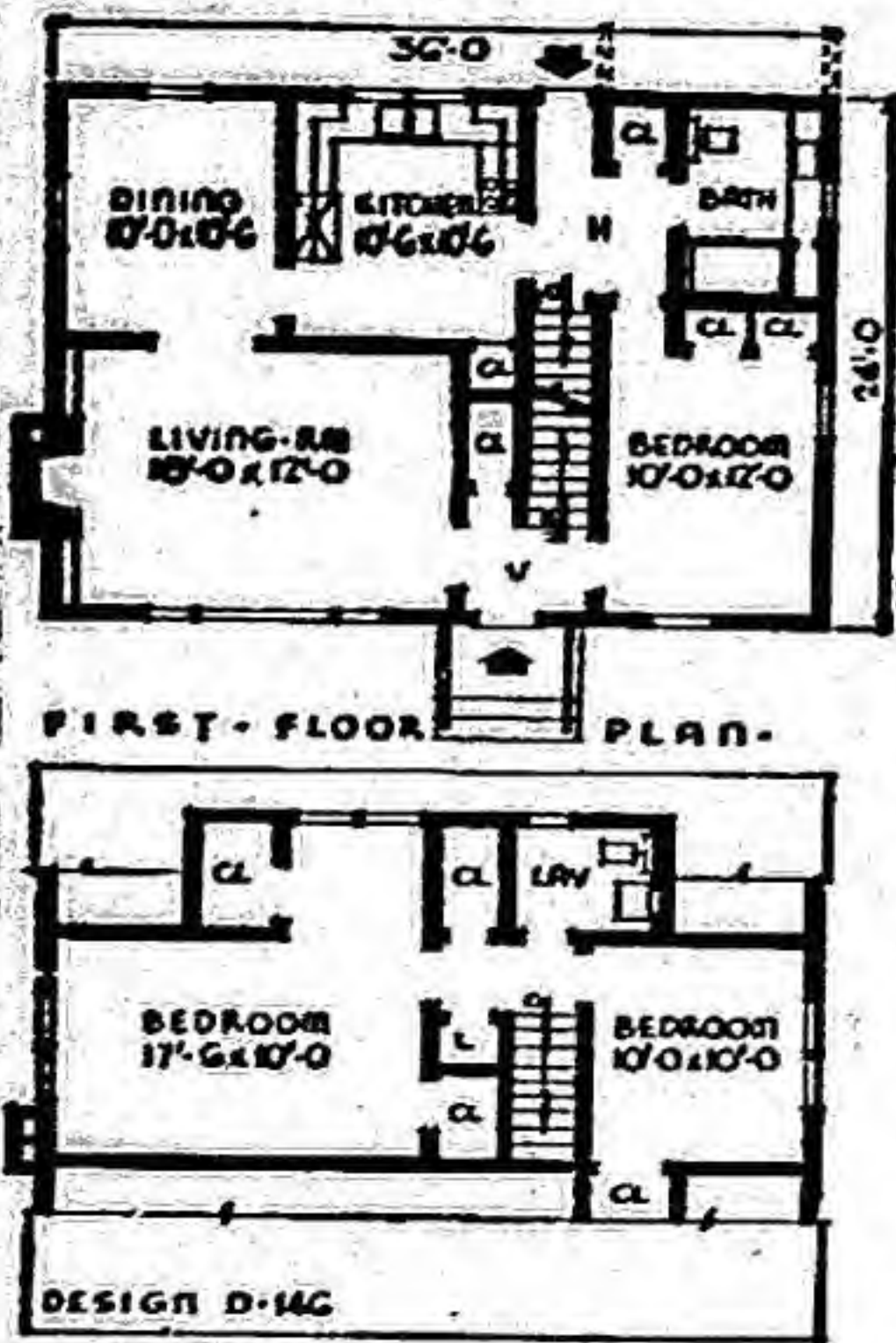
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OAK RIDGES NEWS
Christmas Supper
On Thursday, Dec. 28, St. John's Sunday-school will enjoy a supper at 6 p.m. in the parish hall followed by Christmas festivities and award of attendance prizes to be presented by Mrs. Gordon Kerswill. Arrangements for the event were made at a

meeting of teachers and executive at the home of Maurice Beynon, Temperanceville, last week.
The school is composed of three classes, nursery, primary and seniors with an average enrolment of 45. Mr. Gordon Tetley, King, is giving splendid leadership in the work.

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THE DARBY provides for two bedrooms on the second floor and the possibility of adding a garage or bedroom at the rear of the first floor.
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For further information about THE DARBY, write the Small House Planning Bureau, The Newmarket Era and Express, Newmarket, Ont.

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Please send me more information, without obligation, about the plan features and the type of construction used in the house as pictured in the December 21 issue.

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Christmas 1950

By HOWARD MORTON



Rather hard to write a Christmas greeting in view of the world developments, but I saw something last week which I think might be appropriate under the circumstances:

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First Duty To Ridges Pupils, Take As Many From S.S. 13 As Possible, Boards Agree

An agreement limiting the attendance of Lake Wilcox students to Oak Ridges public school after January 1 was signed Tuesday night. At a meeting in the Oak Ridges school, members of both boards, from school section 13, Lake Wilcox, and union school section 1, Oak Ridges, agreed to the terms set out after a discussion.

The Oak Ridges board offered to take as many students as possible by continuing part time classes with the understanding that Oak Ridges pupils will be on a full-time basis.

"The trustees of U.S.S. No. 1 (Oak Ridges) have had considerable discussion and feel that their first obligation is to the school children of their own section," the agreement starts out. "But we also wish to help the school children of school section 13 (Lake Wilcox)." Section 13 is a new section formed a few months ago.

The trustees agreed to take as many Lake Wilcox pupils as they could as long as they did not prevent classes on a full-time basis for the Oak Ridges pupils.

If there is an increase in the number of school children in their own section at Oak Ridges, the trustees will be compelled to reduce the number of section 13 students attending school, they said. There is a large fluctuating population in the Oak Ridges area. Recently the school

accommodation had been such a problem that two pupils had to sit at one desk at times. During the month of November alone, 30 new pupils were admitted to the school and several were let out. There are over 200 attending from the Lake Wilcox area.

Besides the board members, school inspectors O. M. McKillop and Charles Howard were present. McKillop's district is east of Yonge St. and Mr. Howard's west of Yonge St.

School section 13 has planned a new school which could alleviate the problem but there was disagreement on the choice of site. Up to now an arbitration board set up to choose a site for the new building has not made its decision. A six-room school has been discussed. If such a building were put up, it is believed that it could not handle all section 13 students since there are 200 at present and 40 more at least are known to be ready to start to school in September.

Oak Ridges News

His pick-up truck involved in two accidents in less than an hour and one mile of each other, Mervin Dunn, 17, of North York, has decided on street car travel. The first accident occurred when Dunn turned on No. 11 highway and was sideswiped by a truck, costing him \$175 damage repairs. The other truck received \$50 damage. His machine repaired, Dunn started out again. He had travelled less than a mile before a car driven by Victor Pireto of Oak Ridges blew a tire and swerved into Dunn's vehicle. In the second crash police said Dunn's truck again received \$175 damage and the other machine \$50. The accidents happened last Friday night.

Oak Ridges Lions Club was addressed by Mr. Jack Eilbeck of the department of education community program division for Ontario at the regular meeting held on Dec. 14 at Ridge Inn. For communities seeking to set up organized program projects, it is required that the governmental body of the municipality make an expenditure to which the community program division of the provincial government contributes an average of 30 percent of the cost, the speaker pointed out. The department of education gives assistance in suggestions in the project, and training of leaders.

A film dealing with a recreation centre set up in the United States was shown by Mr. Eilbeck. It was felt, however, the film displayed a project much too costly for a rural community, lions officials said.

A petition seeking district fire protection is being drawn up by Oak Ridges Lions Club.

Riding Club

Oak Ridges Riding Club held a pre-Christmas evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rowe on Dec. 15. A scavenger hunt led by eight pairs of children took the club over the Rowe fields in a merry chase. The first team to arrive back at starting point was Anne Rowe and Bobby Woolley, the prize winners. A group of indoor games was quite as interesting. Allan Gallacher won first place successfully "pinning the tail on the donkey".

The opening of Christmas gifts by members who had previously drawn names was followed by lunch and musical records played by Mr. Rowe.
From now on those entering the Toronto Junior Horse Show to be held December 20 and 30 in the Sifton arena will be hard at work-outs. Miss Marilyn Hawman, the riding school teacher is anticipating keen competition for entrants.
A grand-daughter of the notable "Man O' War" is a boarder at Miss Hawman's stables. The horse is owned by Walter Conron of Barrie. The foal is with its mother Nan T.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wall, with Mr. Wall's sister, Mrs. Fred Lee, and her husband of Thornhill, motored to Rochester late last Thursday night to attend the funeral of Mr. Freeman Wall, an only brother of Mr. Wall's late father. The funeral was on Friday morning. Interment was made 80 miles from the city in New York state. The party returned to Oak Ridges early Saturday morning.

Mrs. Beck Osborne of Chapello Ave., Lake Wilcox, is recovering from plural pneumonia, which has confined her to bed for more than a week. Mrs. O'Brien, a neighbor, is attending her. Mr. Osborne is a railway employee. Mrs. Victor Piorunek of Aurora is substituting for Mrs. Sue

Mosley in the office of Mr. J. J. Wall, Yonge St. during the latter's illness.

Numbers of district children travelled by bus and motor cars to Aurora last Saturday to see the spectacular Santa Claus parade and to receive treats from jolly old St. Nick.

Mrs. J. J. Wall and children, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Landle and family were among several to attend the Christmas event given by Our Lady of Grace Church, Aurora, on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Renwick of Brampton with their children, Jill and Randy, visited Mrs. Bernard O'Brien, Wildwood Ave., Lake Wilcox, on Saturday.

Mr. Arthur Giddings has returned from St. Catharines where he has been employed for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Giddings attended a formal staff dance given by the firm of Modern Tools, at the Prince George hotel, Toronto, last Saturday evening.

Mr. Bob Chambers and friend of Toronto spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. William Ashby, Lake Wilcox.

Among those present at a meeting of the voluntary election workers of Lake Wilcox Ratepayers Association on December 15, in the interests of Mr. E. L. McCarron, a candidate for election to Whitechurch township council, were Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch, Mrs. Bolsonella, Mr. and Mrs. George Gourlay, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Cook, Mr. Robert Sharp and the candidate Mr. McCarron. Voting districts have been laid out and organization for getting out the vote on election day through the use of loaned cars is well under way.

On Wednesday, Dec. 27, Mrs. D. R. Gunn and Mrs. Sprague Troyer will entertain a Latvian family, newly settled at Oak Ridges. Mrs. Biscus and her four children are living on Bond Ave. Mr. Biscus is in a Toronto hospital following a leg injury.

Mrs. Eric Joyce is slowly recovering from an illness thought to have been caused by food poisoning.

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During the first week in January, Oak Ridges Scout Troop will hold a party at the school. The cub pack will meet the same week at the home of Mrs. D. R. Gunn, who will be assisted by the mothers in the entertainment of a group of 22 young boys.

A happy community spirit prevails as organizations coordinate efforts to make Christmas, 1950, a true expression of goodwill. It is a time of adoration and worship. The greatest gift the world has known is the birth of the Christ child. There will be those who give and those who receive, both enriched in the knowledge that these things come from the heart.

Oak Ridges Lions, guided by the welfare committee, will organize for Christmas baskets. Happily the organization early this week has knowledge of fewer than ten district families in real need of Christmas help. In fact, the figure may be less. These are said to exist where illness in the home has created a temporary strain. The welfare committee received a donation of \$10 from Aurora Legion branch and also \$10 from Dr. Crawford Rose, during last weekend.

At Lake Wilcox, the Oak Ridges and Lake Wilcox Ratepayers' Association through a local women's committee has a children's treat in store for December 22, at the Lake Community Hall. Santa Claus will pay a visit to dispense gift stockings from a huge tree.

There appears to be no end of gifts from various firms and individuals which will make for Christmas stocking, the raffle contest and other means of distribution. More than \$300 has been raised by members of the community through organized rummage sales, euchres and bingos during the past several months, representing much hard work and planning. The fund, sponsored by the association, has been wisely spent in the purchase of the Christmas treats. Mr. E. L. McCarron, president of the ratepayers, will be on hand to address the community gathering. The menfolk are making sure the hall is warm and comfortable and the ladies will see that the room is decorated in Christmas style. At 8 p.m. everything will be in readiness.

Among the various donations already received are the following: 100 ice creams from Aurora Dairy and 100 from Cousins Dairy, Aurora; 200 Dixie cups from G. Gourlay; a crate of oranges from Stanley Hart, Lake Wilcox merchant; cash donations from J. J. Wall and Robert Sharp; skirts and sweaters, War Surplus; seven hand-some snow suits from Aurora General Store; Ardill's, Aurora, merchandise; cash by Marshall Rank, Aurora; book covers, pencils, rulers and Christmas story books from Coca Cola; turkey, James Gilchrist; two chickens, E. L. McCarron; fowl, Eric Bunn; crochet wearables for child, Mrs. Norman Smith; two sweaters and cardigans, Mrs. Beatrice Giddis; baby's knitted outfit, Mrs. Flo Creaser, Hamilton; perfume, Hess Drug Store, Aurora; fine cup and saucer from a friend.

Any donations not mentioned in the above are not intentional. Others are likely to come forward by December 22.

Mr. J. J. Wall has been appointed official dealer for Deleo Products.

The Venerable Archdeacon F. J. Sawers, D.D., Archdeacon of York, preached at St. John's church on Sunday morning, Dec. 17. He spoke on behalf of the church extension campaign of the diocese. Mrs. Sawyer accompanied her husband to St. John's, renewing acquaintances with friends.

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King City And District

Friendliest wishes for your happiness at this Christmas season. May peace and goodwill fill every heart. Let the birth of Christ be sung in all the land and a prayer of gratitude fall from every lip.

Corporal Peter Alexander of the Canadian Provost Corps, Fort Churchill, on leave until the end of January, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Alexander, 3rd con. At present he is at Ottawa with his brother, LAC Henry Alexander, who is stationed at Rockcliffe with the R.C.A.F. The brothers will spend Christmas with their parents, and visitors from Annapolis for that day will be Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Allen and daughter Ruth who is the fiancée of LAC Alexander.

Tenders for an addition of a classroom and alterations of the school building of S.S. 2 King village will be closed on Dec. 22. The addition of another classroom to the present two-room building was approved several months ago by ratepayers when it was learned that expansion of attendance was a growing problem. Growth in school section population is seen in the number of new homes under construction. New subdivisions in and near the village point to a steadily expanding population which must be taken care of by the school board in respect to classroom accommodation. The present enrolment in the two rooms is at full capacity.

To Extend Watermain

The extension of watermain, north, west and to the east of King village, on property within the water area, is a definite project, according to Crawford Wells, chairman of village commissioners. Measurement of the required extensions is being made.

Additional Street Lights

Installation of six bracket street lights within the business section of King village will be made providing a steel shortage does not hold up the work. The addition of extra lights will require an expenditure which, with other commitments, will postpone an immediate plan to improve sidewalks, commissioners say. The hydro commission has improved the present lighting system for streets, to the point where electric light bulbs "stay put". This means very few, if any, blackouts from now on. The cost of bulb replacement under the old equipment basis was unavoidable, it is stated.

Will Have Showroom

Extensive improvements are underway at Bob Walker's hardware store. The hardware showroom is 30 by 15 feet, and will have a modern new front with a show window measuring 12 by 15 feet. Counters, showcases, shelf spaces will bring the store up to modern tastes. When completed all lines of hardware will be established in addition to lines already carried. The telephone

has been removed from the Walker house to the store building. Space for building products is located back of the store. Joe Ball, fifth concession, is the contractor for alterations.

King Legion Branch

Major Donald Findlay was re-elected president of King Legion Branch by acclamation at the annual meeting on Dec. 12. Mr. Findlay consented to take office when no other nominations were made. Other officers are: first vice pres., Bob Walker; second vice pres., H. A. Phelps; sec., A. E. Campbell; treas., Arthur Flett; Sgt.-at-Arms, R. J. Shipley of Kettleby; executive committee, Pickering McQuarrie, Jack Walker and Harry Cunningham.

The branch is ready to build up toward greater and more substantial strength, the president commented. Membership shows an upward trend. A creditable balance marks the general fund of the branch. Outstanding was the net income of \$335 from the poppy fund campaign. Eighteen public schools of the legion area did excellent work with S.S. 23, Kinghorn, placing first in contributions raised.

Christmas Party

Santa Claus will be in King on Friday afternoon for the children's Christmas party being held in McDonald and Wells' hall on Dec. 22 at 2:45. Primary school pupils in the legion area have been invited to attend. It is expected a film will be shown along with other features. And of course the treat for each child from the Christmas tree. Expenditures for the event will come from the branch's general fund. Also on this afternoon, a cup will be given to the school making the highest contribution to the Poppy Fund canvass. It has been pointed by the legion president that the township council and each of the 18 schools in the legion area is being forwarded a full report on gross income, expenses and net income from the Poppy Fund campaign.

Made by the Worship, Work and Play Club, 11 puppets will enact the Christmas story under the guidance of members of the club at a Christmas meeting Dec. 22 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at Strang. Hand painted mural background done by the children and choral singing by the Sunday school will provide the setting for the puppets, designed and dressed by the membership of 25, who are directed by Mr. David Witherspoon, minister of St. Andrew's. Mrs. Rhoda Farren. The sister congregations of the Ninth Line and Eversley, who are invited to join in for the evening, will contribute concert numbers.

Re-elected by Auxiliary

Mrs. Arthur Fleet has been re-elected president of the Ladies Auxiliary of King Legion branch for the coming year. Mrs. Annie Bice is first vice president, Mrs.

Bert Wood, second vice president, Mrs. Alex Campbell, secretary-treasurer. Executive members are Mrs. Jack Walker, Mrs. Bob Walker, Mrs. Ivel Wood. Mrs. Dave Judd is standard bearer. The L.A. will sponsor a bingo in the Masonic hall on Dec. 27.

New Officers For W.A.

Mrs. Ray Burt was elected president of All Saints Anglican W.A. Others elected at the annual meeting held at the home of Mrs. Burt on Dec. 14 are: vice pres., Mrs. Harry Finch; sec., Mrs. D. Rawlings; treas., Mrs. Harry Cunningham; dorcas, Mrs. Eleanor Scott; Living Message, Mrs. Frank Armstrong; representative to diocesan board, Mrs. Ray Burt; rector's nominees, Mrs. James Badger and Mrs. Harry Edwards.

The W.A. netted \$130 from the December bazaar. From the November turkey supper sponsored by the W.A. and congregation of All Saints, well over \$250 profit was realized. The January meeting of the auxiliary will be held at 8 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Harry Cunningham, on the third Thursday.

Profit from Laskay W.I. bazaar amounts to \$170, it was revealed at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Torrance Farr, on Dec. 12. The program included suggestion for Christmas presents given by Mrs. Bob Riddell. The no-drip, no-noise water glass for the sick caught the fancy of members. A colorful knitted cover does the job and is easily laundered. Other articles for bedroom use were displayed. How to decorate children's toys was illustrated from Chatelaine pictures. Good cheer, both tangible and inspirational, were mentioned as ways of gladdening the heart at this season. Mrs. Joyce Glass read a story based on the motto, "Joy to the World".

Eversley Presbyterian W.M.S. reached its missions allocation of \$132 with completion of selection of Mrs. David cember meeting held last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. S. W. Armitage, Maple. Fifteen were present to elect officers for the coming year. Very little change in the slate of appointments was made with the exception of the offering at the DeWotherspoon as honorary president and the naming of Miss Jessie Gellatly as literature secretary, an office advised by the Presbyterian executive. All literature purchased by the society or by the individual pertaining to missions is recorded by the secretary and reported at the end of the year to the Presbyterian office.

Mrs. Fred Curtis remains auxiliary president. Other officers are: first vice pres., Mrs. T. L. Williams; second vice pres., Mrs. Albert Jones; sec., Mrs. John Phillips, with Mrs. Watson Ferguson assistant; treas., Miss Alice Ferguson; Glad Tidings, Mrs. Arthur Bovair; press, Mrs. L. E. Rolling; quilt committee, Mrs. D. M. Ross, Mrs. Phillips, Miss J. Gellatly, Mrs. Rhoda Farren; welcome and welfare, Mrs. T. L. Williams; flower fund, supply treasurer, Mrs. Ross; program

Permit Parking By Day On West Side Cedar St.

A by-law to withdraw daytime parking restrictions on the west side of Cedar St. passed first and second reading in council last week. Parking has been completely restricted on the street for some time. Some merchants who use the street complained to the police committee and asked for permission to park on one side.

"It appears that some of them would prefer parking on the east side now," said Councillor Van-Zant, chairman of the police committee. "That street should have been widened long ago anyway," he added. "The firemen must be able to have access along the street."

"I am opposed to any parking on the street," said Mayor Vale. "What's going to happen if you have a fire? You need parking restrictions there more than you do on Main St." One reason for parking restrictions on Cedar St. was the congestion caused by cars parked outside the arena during hockey games.

RENEWS ASSESSOR SALARY

A salary of \$1,200 a year for 1951 was authorized by the Newmarket council for B. W. Hunter, at a meeting last week.

committee, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Ball, Miss Jessie Gellatly, Mrs. Fred Curtis; organist, Mrs. Leonard Shropshire.

Following a prescribed Christmas program, the scripture was read by Mrs. R. Farren; Mrs. L. Shropshire gave a Christmas reading and Miss Alice Ferguson the prayer. The first meeting in the New Year will be held at the home of Miss Ferguson.

Pine Orchard News

The Church of Christ Sunday-school will hold a Christmas social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brammer, Cedar Valley, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. McPhee, Meaford, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Whitfield, Thornbury, were recent guests

at the McClure home. Mr. Fred Smart, Toronto, was the guest pastor at the Church of Christ on Sunday, Dec. 17.

On Sunday, Dec. 24, the guest pastor will be Mr. Hansfield, Toronto, at 11 a.m.

Messrs. William and Beverly Grindell, Toronto, were at their home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Armitage and Mr. Harry Armitage were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Leach, Newmarket. Mr. and Mrs. Collins were observing their 59th wedding anniversary.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Preston in

the sudden passing of Mr. Preston's father, the late Leslie Preston.

Mr. Bruce Underhill, Aurora, will be in charge of service at Union church on Christmas Sunday, Dec. 24, at 2:30 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

school for Co-Op Fidelity agents at Union two days last week. This community was resented at York county Federation of Agriculture in Newmarket on 13.

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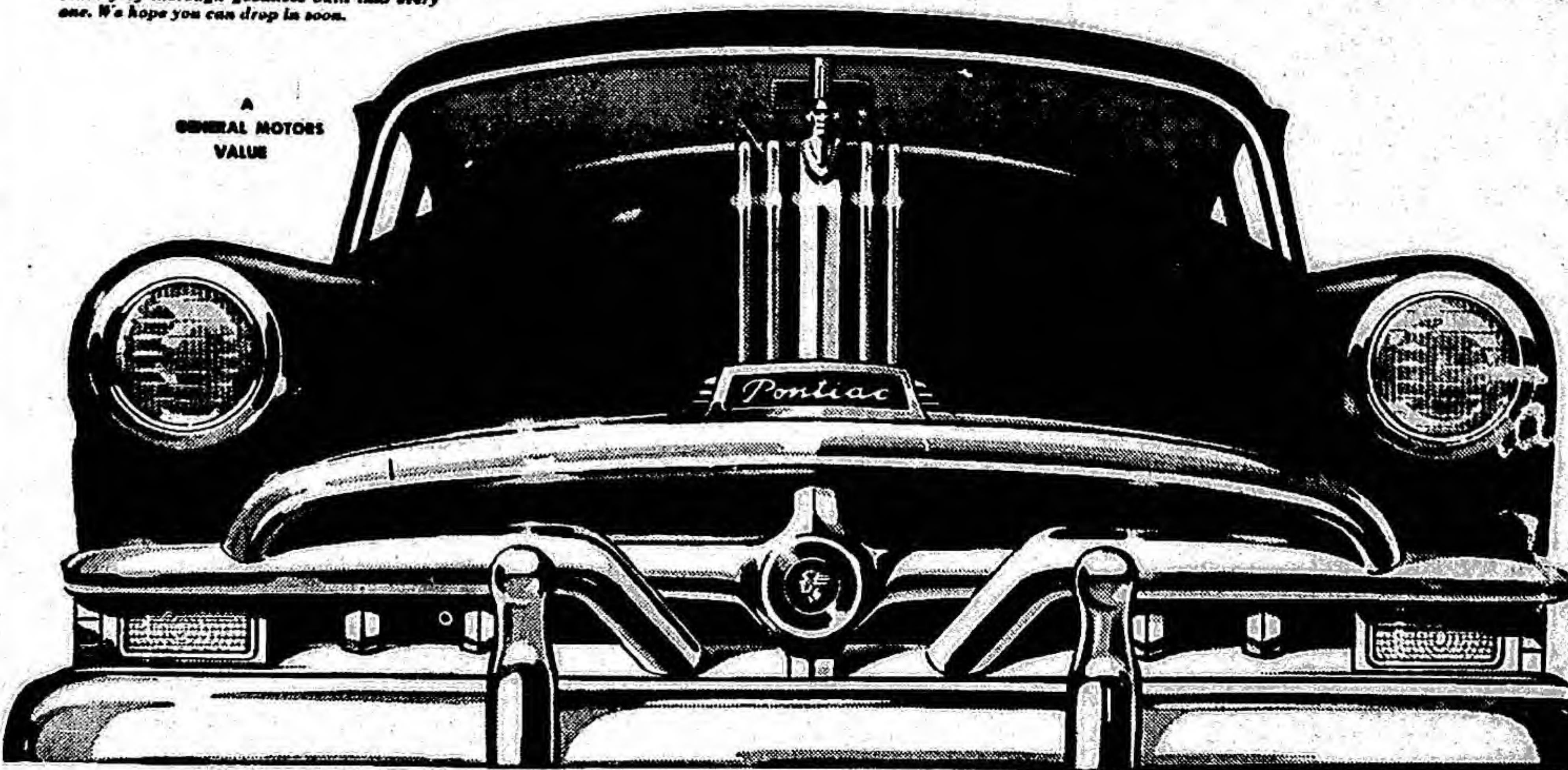
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Help Needed For Aurora Lions Basket Fund

The public has been generous with its contributions but the Aurora Lions club needs many more dollars in the Santa Claus Fund to fill the stockings of every needy child on the list.

A. A. Cook, chairman of the welfare committee, said that the need in many of the homes that have been visited is great. "The fact is that many children in the district would not have any Christmas at all if the Lions didn't play Santa Claus on Christmas Eve."

Mr. Cook said anyone in doubt of the tragic need in many homes in the district should contact the representative of the Children's Aid or any member on the welfare committee. The members intend to see that every little child is remembered in Aurora, and in nearby King and Whitechurch townships whose parents are unable to provide for their Christmas. The Aurora club is also co-operating with the Lions of Oak Ridges to bring cheer to needy families in the Lake Wilcox area.

There is still time to give and give generously to this fund. You can depend on the Lions to see that your dollar buys happiness for some little child at Christmas. Contributions can be made to any member of the Lions club or to Mr. Cook.

An Aurora Opinion

By DOROTHY BARKER

Aurora Editor

Standing in the centre of town is a huge coniferous tree. It isn't just an overgrown evergreen used for decorative purposes, but representative of the desire, this year of all years, not only on the part of each citizen but on the part of the very town itself, to express the real spirit of Christmas.

Fortunately human nature has the ability to force merriment in the face of any anxiety. That is perhaps our salvation. The word "joyous" is not being associated with Christmas, 1950. We all realize that the most anxious time in history faces mankind today. However, there is a message and an impact in the tree and the two lighted stars hung over Yonge St. They are symbolic of the star and great need of a Saviour that announced Christ's birth to a weary world almost 2,000 years ago.

Visibly the tree is only strung with colored lights. Invisibly it is laden with gifts to Aurora and all that they signify which we shall more than appreciate in the months ahead. There is the Wilkie fund generously contributed to by hundreds of citizens. The wheel chair which he has received as a gift from the Lions club, a gleaming red fire truck for the protection of every home in the district, the new high school denoting that know-

ledge is power, a municipal retirement plan for the future security of faithful town employees, a well organized recreation commission. Very real and tangible gifts to a town and its citizens.

Aurora has been rated a sleepy little town on more than one occasion. Could be, but not so slumbering that it is not conscious of the fact that its population numbers men and women aware of their responsibility to one another. As long as we have merchants generous with donations in an emergency created when disastrous fires struck in a neighboring community, a council that is worthy of praise for its spirit of harmony and progressive action, plus the energetic participation of churches, service clubs and the Legion, that precious possession the world is so in need of "Peace on earth, goodwill to men", can and will become a lasting possibility in a fear-stricken world.

Aurora Merchants Bring Santa Claus To Town

Over a thousand children and their parents lined the curbs for blocks Saturday to greet Santa Claus on his first public appearance in Aurora in ten years.

The children were delighted with the fact the parade had solved the riddle of just what "The Thing" really is. Evidently it is a cross between a blood brother of Donder and Blitzen and a palomino pony. The float with this grotesque object aboard was one of 30 in the long line of gaily decorated cars and horse drawn vehicles. Those who were responsible for the organization of the parade went to a great deal of trouble in providing clowns, music and amusement. The fairy tale characters that every child loves were all represented with a number of the best known Mother Goose rhymes featured on several of the floats.

Even the merchants who had contributed to the fund but had taken no active part in the preparations, were agreeably surprised with the professional appearance and the extent of the cavalcade. In turn the children

who crowded around Santa's float were in numbers far beyond the expectations of the committee. Eight hundred and eighty bags of candy and fruit were handed out and still there were many who did not receive their gift from Santa.

Considering the time element (the committee had less than ten days to finance and plan the fun for the children) the business men who were responsible for its success should be congratulated.

AURORA LIONS MEET

Fourteen new members were added to the roll call of the Aurora Lions club in 1950. Last week's meeting was planned and conducted by the new members. A splendid address by W. J. Landen on "Business Ethics" which was followed by a discussion period was so impressive that many requests have been received for copies of the speech and the discussion. Mr. Landen chaired the committee with Doug Harrison and Gordon Duckworth as his assistants.



Among successful candidates in the Aurora municipal elections last week are shown left to right, Reeve Asa A. Cook, Deputy-Reeve James Murray and Councillor Harold Pringle. Cook defeated Lorne P. Evans 712 to 414 and Murray defeated B. D. Bert 745 to 368. Harold Pringle tied with Charles Davies in the council race with 738 votes for third place. This week the 1950 council agreed on having Aurora election date the same as other district municipalities.



Thelma Fielding is the first woman to be voted to the Aurora town council. She is a housewife and yet is an experienced business woman, having held an executive position in an international firm for ten years.

Legion Shares Christmas Help With Many

Unable to hold its annual Christmas party for the children of Aurora and district because of lack of accommodation, Aurora Branch 385, Canadian Legion, has once again demonstrated its community consciousness and shared their funds with other organizations.

Last week, the Legion donated both money, manpower and other assistance to the Aurora Santa Claus parade. This week, president T. A. M. Hulshas announced that Christmas parcels are being sent to Aurora boys with the Korean forces, cash donations have been made to Aurora Lions Christmas fund and the Oak Ridges Lions welfare fund and Christmas treats and gifts will be provided for the children of the Loyal True Blue Orphanage, the Sisters of St. John the Divine, the patients at the Ontario hospital, Aurora, the inmates of York County House of Refuge.

In addition, the usual Christmas baskets will be provided for the needy veteran and his family and children whose fathers paid the supreme sacrifice will receive cash gifts to aid them in their Christmas shopping. Veterans in hospital will not be forgotten either. Robert Hodgkinson and Leslie Steadman head the committees which are looking after the details.

W.I. NEWS

The Mount Albert branch held its December meeting in the town hall on Thursday of last week with an attendance of around 30 ladies. The ladies made \$53.83 catering for the banquet. Arrangements were made for a short course on lunches for school children which will be held on January 25, 26. Tuesday evening, Jan. 9, there will be a community card party in the hall.

A committee was named to interview the hall board in regard to purchasing dishes for the hall. Mrs. Bruce Rolling, on behalf of the firemen, thanked everyone for their help and support in getting the new equipment. Mrs. W. Rate and Mrs. H. Harmon gave excellent reports of the Toronto convention and thanked the Institute for sending them on such a fine trip. A sing-song of Christmas carols and a Christmas solo by Mrs. Snyder were also enjoyed.

Farm Federation News

On the question of "Security for Farm Labor", Mount Albert Forum reports: Our forum unanimously agreed that farm labor should have security and that farmers should carry compensation for their hired help. The forum was not in favor of unemployment insurance at the present time as there is not an over supply of farm labor.

Neither was our forum in favor of farm unions but was agreed that hired help on the farm should have holidays with pay if hired by the year and the farmer and employee make their own agreements as to when the time should be taken off. The forum also agreed that the work hours on the farm should not exceed 12 hours per day. The forum was also in favor that a young man desiring to farm, experienced and married, should get special government assistance due to the fact that farm boys are leaving the farm because the investment is too great an obstacle to overcome.

AURORA 50-50 CLUB

Officers elected at the annual meeting of the 50-50 club of the Aurora United church include: pres., Arnold and Isobel Miller; vice pres., Earl and Margaret Scott; sec., Wilbert and Rella Saunders; treas., Hugh and Helen McIntyre; committee chairmen, program, Del and Grace Babcock; publicity, Harold and Muriel Graham; refreshments, Dave and Jean Hill.



News of the W.I.

In North York

News for this column must be in the office Monday night. Copy must be written as briefly as possible and confined to news and reports. Other than routine reports and announcements will be printed separately.

King branch has unanimously approved a resolution to approach the board of commissioners of the York County Home for aged to seek permission to add to the furnishings of the women's sitting room of the institution. The proposed project followed a report of a visit made by two of the members to the Home who were greatly impressed with the care and affection shown by the officials to those who are dependent on this source in the "sunset" period of their years. The high standard of management and environment, and the kindly atmosphere, impressed the visitors whose mission was to present food gifts to the aged ladies. These were warmly accepted by Mrs. Thompson, the nurse.

At a meeting of the branch held on Dec. 12, a voluntary collection of \$5 was given for the purchase of games for the men of the Home who are confined to the hospital ward.

With the spirit of Christmas the keynote of the meeting, Rev. M. R. Jenkinson, the guest speaker, chose an inspirational subject, "Furnishing the Room of Life". To make the room of life beautiful that living may be enriched, it is built with walls of love, he said. "If God has given a loving heart, for His sake go about that others may see it". The carpet of understanding is spread on the room of life; "We have more chance of peace for the world through understanding than yelling about atomic bombs", declared Mr. Jenkinson. "Keep in mind we are a nation where we can use understanding." Hundreds of newcomers to Canada's shores look to her people for just that quality in Canadian way of life. The doorway of life is faith, the speaker pointed out, faith in God's promises, faith in people and faith in oneself.

Defining the motto, "the spirit of Christmas", Mrs. J. P. Norris believes it is the small helpful daily practices that carry one through from Christmas to Christmas. Taking for granted there is a definite commercial element projected into the Christmas season, there remain the simple acts to perform; the spirit of reverence, thanks that we live in a country that recognizes the birth of Christ; joy in the happiness of children and ability to recognize the spirit of helpfulness to others, Mrs. Norris declared.

Members heard a variety of current events discussed by Mrs. T. L. Williams. The roll call embraced comments on "What I would like for Christmas". Executive features of the meeting included a report from the treasurer that \$100 has been added

to the Memorial Hall trust fund set up by the branch. A Christmas card was read from Millstead W.I. in Kent, England, and donations of food parcels are being sent to that organization. Plans were made for a rummage sale, home baking, and afternoon tea on January 25. Miss Jessie Gellatly was named convener for a quilt committee to work on that project for the annual street dance in 1951.

The Queensville branch will hold its Christmas meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 27, at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Russell Strasser. Motto—"Doing something for someone will give you more pleasure than doing something for something. Give it a trial."

Roll call: Bring a box of treats for York County Home, cake, cookies, fruit, candy, etc. Program: historical research and current events, Mrs. S. Thompson and Mrs. J. Jardine; music, Mrs. J. L. Smith; hostesses, Mrs. G. Wilmet, Mrs. A. J. Milne, and Miss Hazel Doane.

Watch the local paper for the announcement of a euchre sponsored by the W.I. in the school house early in the new year.

The Christmas meeting of the Gormley branch will be on Thursday, Dec. 28, (please note change of date) at the home of Mrs. Garnet Evans. This will be a fairly long meeting so could you please be there ready to start at 2 p.m.

Mrs. W. Ash will tell us about the Province of Saskatchewan and the roll call is to be answered by a Christmas verse.

This month, in place of the usual Canadian wildflower, we are giving the beautiful poinsettia, a favorite Christmas plant, top honors. Description and care of same will be narrated on by Mrs. R. Ellas.

Reports of the convention held in Toronto on Nov. 1, 2 and 3 will be given by Mrs. R. Baycroft and Mrs. Harry Smith. The annual exchange of gifts will take place and also a draw. Hostesses are Mrs. W. Scott and Mrs. R. Ellas.

The regular monthly meeting of the Belhaven branch was held at the home of Mrs. O. Smith with 16 members and ten visitors present. The meeting opened with the usual ode and roll call. Plans were made for the filling of the Christmas baskets. Mrs. M. Sedore, convener, provided a very interesting program. Readings were given by Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Matt and Mrs. Sedore. Current events were prepared by Mrs. Lloyd Kay. A Christmas carol contest was held. Mrs. McNeil gave a demonstration on the making of flowers. An amusing skit was presented by the Willow Beach ladies entitled "The Anti-Gossip Club".



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For rent—One car garage, central. Chas. E. Boyd, 17 Main St., phone 533, Newmarket. *1w51

15 BOARDERS WANTED
Room and board for gentlemen. Apply 49 Prospect St., Newmarket, phone 246w. *2w50

17 ARTICLES FOR SALE
For sale—Venetian blinds, aluminum or steel, made for all styles of windows. Free estimates and installations. Phone 755, apply 40 Ontario St. W., or write P.O. box 498, Newmarket. tf40

FREE TAXI SERVICE
If you live in Newmarket and wish to visit our store, we will send a car for you day or night without charge or obligation. Dyer's Furniture, phone 125w, Newmarket. tf40

For sale—Medium size Quebec heater; McCormick Deering No. 3 cream separator, motor attachment. Phone 3214, Sutton. *2w50

For sale—Large "Beach" white enamel range, coal or wood (hot water jacket if desired), warming oven and water tank attached. Practically new. Cost \$157.50. For quick sale cost you much less. Phone Newmarket 1247. clw50

For sale—Lady's black coat, silver fox collar, size 16. White enamel electric range. Phone 1349w, Newmarket, after 6 p.m. clw50

We have many interesting items in our store that are suitable for Christmas gifts and we invite your inspection. Note the prices on only a few items listed here.

Broadcloth shirts from \$2.49 to \$3.25. Leather belts 89c. Beautiful ties \$1. each. Pure linen tablecloths 54" x 54" \$2.25. Nylon diamond socks \$1.59 per pair. Cigarette lighters 50c - \$1.00 - \$1.50 (biggest assortment in the district). Christmas card assortment 20 for 39c with envelopes. Flashlights with batteries \$1.25. Jackknives 49c and 75c. All wool scarves 89c. Egyptian lawn handkerchiefs 25c. Gormon mouth organs 65c. 3-power field glasses \$8.50. Set of fountain pen, pencil and ball point pen in box for \$1.79. Pocket watches \$3.95 and \$4.95. Wrist watches, guaranteed 1 year \$6.45. Expansion bracelets \$1. A complete line of jackets, windbreakers, strollers and station wagon coats from \$5.95 to \$32.00. Come in and look around. There's no obligation. Always courteous attention.

Army Airforce Stores, opposite Post Office, Aurora. (clw50)

For sale—Girl's skates, size 5, tubular, white, like new, \$5. Phone 1101w, Newmarket. clw51

FOR SALE - WOOD LATHE
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For sale—Old space heater, medium size, like new. Electric stove, Moffat, 4-burner, heavy wiring, low oven. Kitchen chairs, dining chairs, pair horse blankets, storm and stable, like new. Apply Fred Hirst, 1 mile east of Pine Orchard. *1w51

For sale—Eatonia electric washing machine. Apply 30 Niagara St., Newmarket, or phone 1498w. *2w51

For sale—Large C.C.M. tricycle, \$9. Large play pen with pad. Good as new, \$12. Phone 69, Newmarket. *1w51

For sale—Pair man's boots and skates, size 8-9, \$3. Phone 896w, Newmarket. clw51

For sale—Large tricycle. Phone 462w, Newmarket. clw51

For sale—General Electric refrigerator, 7' in good condition. Apply F. Wells, Udon. *1w51

For sale—Boy's ski boots, size 6-12, pair skates, size 6, both practically new. Phone 3212, Queensville. clw51

Wanted to buy—Child's skates, size 11, in good condition. Apply Mrs. Roy Hughes, Schomberg, phone 623. *1w51

For sale—25 Columbia records, all in good condition. Apply 22 Timothy St. W., Newmarket. *1w51

For sale—Fur coat, seal, finger-tip length, excellent condition, size 14. Also used lady's ski boots (white), 7, 7-12. Like new. Phone Newmarket 1055m. clw51

For sale—Bird cage with stand, in A1 condition. Price new \$31.50. Bargain. Apply 31 Timothy St., Newmarket, after 6 p.m. clw51

ARTICLES WANTED
Wanted to buy—Child's table and chairs if anyone has this and is in need. Apply 22 Timothy St., Newmarket. *1w51

17B MERCHANDISE
For sale—Hearing aid batteries for most popular makes. Stewart Beare, Radio and Appliance, 113 Main St., phone 355, Newmarket. tf40

THOR WASHES & GLADIRON
Electric 25 and 60 cycle, gas washers, repair parts and service. Stewart Beare, Radio and Appliance, 113 Main St., phone 355, Newmarket. tf40

PRODUCE
For sale—Vegetables. Potatoes, Katahdins, good dry cookers, grown on sand loam; green crisp cabbage; red cabbage; No. 1 large onions; No. 1 small onions; No. 1 white Portugal onions; carrots and No. 1 Laurentian turnips, good cookers and keepers. Apply W. C. McCallum, Holland Landing, phone 678w3, Newmarket. clw43

19 USED CARS FOR SALE
For sale—'49 Monarch coach, good condition, radio, etc., mileage 24,000. Apply Rowland's Garage, Newmarket. clw51

20 USED TRUCK FOR SALE
For sale—Chevrolet DeLuxe model 1949 panel truck, 12,000 miles, complete with extra snow tires. 1947 Ford ton panel, in fair condition. Apply Rowland's Garage, Main St., Newmarket. clw51

For sale—'48 Pontiac sedan delivery, in good condition. Terms arranged. Priced reasonable. Phone 1031w, Newmarket. clw51

For sale—1939 panel Dodge truck. Reconditioned motor, all good tires, 650 6-ply. Phone Newmarket 713j21. clw51

22 HELP WANTED
Help wanted—Capable girl or woman for general housework. No cooking. Must be fond of children. Sleep in. Liberal time off. Phone 406w, Newmarket. clw50

Help wanted—By nationally known manufacturer of popular line of tractors, combines, etc. An energetic, well-financed local representative for Bradford and district. Must be willing to provide adequate showroom, parts and service facilities. Write Era and Express box 525. clw51

Help wanted—Reliable maid about 30 years old. Cooking essential. No washing or floors. Write Era and Express box 527. clw51

23 WORK WANTED
Upholstering. Chesterfield suites, chairs recovered. For samples of materials at reasonable rates, call Ken. Sargent, 85 Gormon St., phone 382, Newmarket. clw44

Slip covers, draperies, bedspreads, etc., made to measure. Your own materials. Phone Newmarket 1151j, 78 Andrew St. tf46

26 STRAYED
Strayed—Red heifer, 2 yrs. old, from lot 28, con. 5, Whitchurch, about Nov. 28. Any information kindly notify Dike Bros., phone 821j3, Newmarket. clw50

28 LIVESTOCK FOR SALE
For sale—2 Holstein calves for vealing. Apply Max Johnson, R. R. 3, Newmarket, phone 271j1. clw51

SHORTHORNS
For sale—Grand Lakeview. Serviceable age, deep thick set bulls, reds and roans. Several young cows, calves at foot. Rebred to Oakfield Ransom 13th. Registered and vaccinated. Apply Alfred Oliver, Queensville, phone 1401. *2w51

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Wanted to buy—Horses for milk. Will call with truck. Good cash prices paid. Frank Coleman, phone 1089j, Newmarket, or write P.O. box 25. tf40

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Wanted to buy—Old horses. Dead horses and cows. We pay for dead stock if fit to use. Notify as soon as possible after death. L. B. Pollock, Keswick, Ont., phone Queensville 2931. tf40

29 POULTRY FOR SALE
For sale—Large Muscovy drake, also ducks. Apply Mrs. Isaac Johnson, R. R. 3, Newmarket, or phone 271j1. clw50

29B POULTRY WANTED
All kinds of live hens and pullets. Will pay up to \$2 each and call at door. Phone 657, Newmarket. tf46

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For sale—Puppies. See these lovely Cairn Terriers. Will be ready for Christmas. Male or female. Small breed, healthy pedigree stock. Mrs. Kendall, phone 9415, Aurora. clw49

For sale—\$5.00, adorable puppies, pair terrier, all ready for Santa Claus. Mrs. Viola Lake Shore Rd., Keswick, phone 9415, Aurora. clw49

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For sale—Cocker spaniel puppies. Morley Pegg, Sutton West, R. R. 2, phone 1003w, Newmarket, evenings. *1w51

For sale—Collie pups. Apply Otto Barkey, Queensville, phone 602. clw51

For sale—Canary, starting to sing, \$15. Phone 29w, Newmarket. clw51

31 MISCELLANEOUS
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For sale—Christmas trees. Delivered. Apply Cris Wood, 12 Centre St., or Harvey Gilpin, 175 Centre St., Aurora. *3w49

For sale—Christmas trees. All kinds. Delivered. \$1.00. Apply 120 Prospect St., or 90 Andrew St., phone 1251w, Newmarket. *2w50

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NOTICE
Nomination meeting for Newmarket separate school trustees on Thursday, Dec. 28, at 8.15 p.m. clw50

NOTICE
I will not be responsible for any debts incurred in my name by my wife, Mrs. Ross Newton, from this date, Thursday, Dec. 7, 1950. Ross Newton clw49

NOTICE
The annual meeting of U.S.S. 1, King and Whitchurch, will be held at the school Wednesday, Dec. 27 at 8 p.m. to receive the annual report and to elect one trustee. clw51

NOTICE
Annual meeting of School Section No. 3, East Gwillimbury will be held at the schoolhouse on the 27th day of December, 1950, at 8 p.m.

JOHN GREIG, SID JONES, GARFIELD WRIGHT. clw51

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT IRA DAVIS, of the County of York, Gentleman, DECEASED.

Creditors of the above-named deceased, who died at the village of Mount Albert, in the County of York, on or about the 23rd day of October, 1950, are hereby notified pursuant to The Trustee Act to send to the undersigned proof of their claim on or before the 15th day of January, 1951, after which date the assets of the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims of which the undersigned will then have notice.

DATED at Newmarket this 1st day of December, A.D. 1950. Ernest Alonzo Davis, Viola Wilson and Flora Jarvis, Executors by their Solicitors, Matthews, Silver Lyons and Vale, Newmarket, Ontario. clw49

BIRTHS
Boudreau—At York County hospital, Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. John Boudreau, R. R. 3, Bradford, a daughter.

Brady—At York County hospital, Sunday, Dec. 17, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Brady, Jackson's Point, a daughter.

Burling—At York County hospital, Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Burling, Newmarket, a son.

Foster—At York County hospital, Monday, Dec. 18, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Foster, R. R. 1, Gormley, a daughter.

Hope—At York County hospital, Sunday, Dec. 17, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hope, R. R. 3, Newmarket, a daughter.

La Plante—At York County hospital, Thursday, Dec. 14, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry La Plante, Newmarket, a son.

Lloyd—At York County hospital, Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lloyd, Newmarket, a son.

Thompson—At York County hospital, Sunday, Dec. 17, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thompson, Holland Landing, a daughter.

Troy—At York County hospital, Monday, Dec. 18, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Troy, Newmarket, a son.

Whitfield—At York County hospital, Monday, Dec. 18, 1950, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Whitfield, Newmarket, a son.

CARD OF THANKS
Mrs. J. J. Williams, Elmhurst Beach, wishes to thank the neighbors, members of St. Paul's church (Jersey) W.A. Elmhurst Beach W. L. Lakeview Bowling League, for their kind thoughts, cards and flowers received during her recent illness. Special thanks are extended to Dr. Eugene Fitzhenry, Toronto.

CARD OF THANKS
The family of the late Seth Mitchell wish to express their sincere thanks to their relatives, friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and floral tributes extended to them during their recent bereavement in the loss of their dear father.

IN MEMORIAM
Church—In loving memory of Lauris Frank Church who passed away December 20, 1950. Till memory fades and life departs He lives forever in our hearts. Ever remembered by grandma and grandpa Homer and auntie Ethel.

Clark—In loving memory of a dear father and mother, William Clark, who passed away January 24, 1915, also Rachel Clark who passed away December 25, 1945. One by one they go before us. But we know they're watching over us. They the good, the fair, the true. They are waiting for us only. Where no pain can ever mar. Dear ones who left us lonely. Watch us though the gates ajar. There a father, there a mother. Gone within those gates ajar. Ever remembered by their loving daughters, Mary and Eva.

Foster—In loving memory of a dear father and grandfather, Henry Foster, who passed away December 15, 1946. His charming ways and smiling face. Are a pleasure to recall. He had a kindly word for each. And died beloved of all. Just when your life was brightest. Just when your years were best. You were called from this world of sorrow. To a home of eternal rest. Sadly missed by daughter, Emma and son-in-law, Gordon, and family.

Fountain—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Thomas Fountain, who passed away December 25, 1949. His memory may change from year to year. And friends from day to day. But never will the one I loved From memory pass away. Ever remembered by his wife Edna and family.

Foster—In loving memory of Charles Henry Foster, a beloved husband and father, who passed away December 15, 1945. His thoughts were all full of us. He never could forget. And so we think that where he is He must be watching yet. As angels keep their watch up there. Please, God, just let him know. That we down here do not forget. We love and miss him so. 'Tis sweet to remember a father so dear. Unseen by the world he stands by our side. And whispers, dear children, death cannot divide. Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his wife and family.

Miller—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Frank Miller, who passed away December 22, 1947. Ever remembered by wife, son Leonard and daughter, Irene.

Moorehead—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Thomas Moorehead, who passed away December 19, 1949. In the quiet hours of thinking. Thoughts of you are very dear. We who love you sadly miss you. As it dawns another year. Sadly missed by wife and family.

Thomas—In loving memory of our mother, Annie Thomas, who passed away December 21, 1947. A faithful mother, one of the best. May God grant her eternal rest. Ever remembered by son, Harry, and family.

DEATHS
Rothwell—At Toronto General hospital, on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1950, Fennell Rothwell, Snowball, husband of Agnes Crawford, and brother of H. D. and Elizabeth Rothwell, Toronto; Mrs. Robert Boyes, Mrs. Ida Sawyer, Elmer and Reba Rothwell, Gifford. Interment King cemetery on Saturday.

Crookart—At Tecumseh, Saturday, Dec. 16, 1950, James Crookart, formerly of Aurora, husband of the late Ada Walker, and father of Jean (Mrs. Jarvis Harrison), Toronto; Jessie (Mrs. Clinton Feller), Tecumseh, and brother of Mrs. James Bond, Colborne. Interment Aurora cemetery on Tuesday.

Evans—At York County hospital, Newmarket, on Thursday, Dec. 14, 1950, Edgar James Evans, husband of Ida Kneeshaw and father of Elven, Marion and Madeline. Interment Mount Pleasant cemetery on Sunday.

Fockler—At lot 16, con. 8, Whitchurch twp., on Thursday, Dec. 14, 1950, Margaret Jane Wishart, wife of Milton Fockler, in her 61th year. Interment Stouffville cemetery on Saturday.

Lloyd—At York County hospital, on Friday, Dec. 15, 1950, Ewart Gladstone Lloyd, husband of Mildred Ferguson, father of Blake, Summerside, P.E.I.; Betty, Grant and Sheila. Interment Schomberg Union cemetery on Monday.

Mitchell—At his home, Mount Albert, Thursday, Dec. 14, 1950, Seth Mitchell, in his 61st year, husband of the late Isabella Palmer (Mrs. Herb McCorkell). Interment Mount Albert cemetery on Saturday.

Preston—On Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1950, Leslie Preston, husband of the late Ethel Foster and father of Mrs. Reynolds (Verna), Stroud; Delmer, Queensville; Elmer, Pine Orchard; and Mrs. William Stallbrass (Orma), Oshawa, in his 74th year. Interment Pine Orchard cemetery on Friday.

Sennett—At Queensville, on Friday, Dec. 15, 1950, Silas Sennett, husband of Mary Horner and father of Frank, Detroit, and Ronald, Queensville. Interment Queensville cemetery on Monday.

Shupe—At Sunnybrook hospital, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1950, William Shupe, 208 battalion, brother of Elythe (Mrs. W. W. 11, 36 Shannon St., Toronto; uncle of Helen (Mrs. Bowers), Elaine (Mrs. Ackhurst). Interment Newmarket cemetery on Saturday.

Smith—At Gormley, on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1950, Frances (Fanny) Smith, in her 88th year, daughter of the late Edward and Frances Smith. Interment Victoria Square cemetery on Friday.

OBITUARY
Ernest Wadsworth Dunn

Ernest Wadsworth Dunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunn, Sutton West, died at St. Joseph's hospital, Parry Sound, on November 29. He was born in Parry Sound September 16, 1923, and was a bookkeeper. His illness started in November, 1943, while training as navigator in the R.C.A.F. and he was hospitalized frequently at Westmount hospital, London, Christie Street and Sunnybrook, Toronto.

Besides his parents he was survived by brothers, Robert William and Calvin Keith, sisters, Mrs. Wm. Harris (Isabel), Mrs. C. N. Clarke (Olive), Mrs. M. V. Fairbairn (Enid) and Evelyn. Funeral service was held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on December 2 with Rev. Geo. Killen in charge and interment was in Brim Hill cemetery, Sutton West. Sutton and district Legion No. 338 conducted service at the cemetery. Pallbearers were Harold Snooks, Fred Taylor, John Schmidt, David Burrows, Andy Lonergan and Charles Brooks.

OBITUARY
Mrs. George Gilpin

Alice Victoria Currie, wife of George R. Gilpin, passed peacefully away at her home, lot 78, con. 2, King twp., on December 5 in her 77th year. Left to mourn her loss are her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Cameron Smart (Minnie), Newmarket, and Mrs. Clifford Seaton (Mabel), King, R. R. 3; four sons, Lorne and Harvey, Aurora, Norm and Elwood, Newmarket, and two brothers, George and William Currie, Bradford, and nine grandchildren.

Mrs. Gilpin was confined to her bed several months prior to her death, having fallen and broken her hip and leg as a result of a stroke. Although partially paralyzed she never complained of her handicap. She had a cheery disposition and took life as it came.

The funeral was held on December 7 from her late residence with interment in King City cemetery. The service was conducted by Rev. H. Howey. Pallbearers were William Bodfish, Emerson Bateman, Calvin Mitchell, Walter Robinson, Albert Barr and Alonzo Appleton.

The many floral tributes expressed the esteem in which Mrs. Gilpin was held.

OBITUARY
Dr. Harry Marritt

Dr. Harry Marritt, who was drowned on Sunday, Dec. 11, while skating with his young son, Peter, on Lake Chautauqua near his home in suburban Jamestown, N.Y., was the youngest son of the late William and Bertha Marritt and was born on the Marritt farm at Keswick.

He received his early education in public school there and in Newmarket high school. After serving four years overseas in the Signal Corps in the first great war, he completed his secondary education in Newmarket and Albert College and graduated from medical school, University of Toronto.

During his student days, he was active in church young people's organizations, taking special interest in the athletic activities of school and community. For three years, he played with the University of Toronto rugby team.

Dr. Marritt served for 17 years as full-time psychiatrist at the Gowanda State hospital. For the past five years, he has been director of the Child Guidance Clinic of a large area around Jamestown. He devoted a considerable time to working with war veterans as well as building up a large private practice.

Surviving are his wife, Edith Mackay, formerly of Niagara Falls, a daughter, Marjorie, at graduate school of Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., two sons, Peter, at home, and Scott, a junior at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, a sister, Joy, in Toronto, and brothers Gladstone, Hamilton; Isaac, Galt; John, Edmonton; and Frank, Keswick.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Albert Martin of the First Congregational church of which Mr. Marritt was a deacon.

A published tribute to Dr. Marritt said that he was held in high regard by his colleagues and remarked on the work he was doing with children. "Dr. Marritt's sudden passing in middle life and at the height of his usefulness is a loss to the community," the tribute said.

OBITUARY
JOSEPH WILKINSON

Interment was made at Queensville on Nov. 27 for Joseph Wilkinson, Sharon, who died at the Western hospital, Toronto, on Nov. 24. He was born in East Gwillimbury in 1871, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Wilkinson. Mr. Wilkinson was a farmer and was a member of the United church.

He is survived by his wife, the former Dora Teller, whom he married in 1903; a son, Harold, who is married and is farming at Ravenshoe; three daughters, Mrs. Harvey Miller (Myrtle), Sharon; Mrs. Stanley Sheridan (Ina), Newmarket; Mrs. Wm. Barry (Ida), Whitby; brothers, George, Belhaven and Frank, Holt; sisters, Annie, Bay City, Mich.; Betsy, Holt and Joyce, Belhaven.

Funeral service was held at Queensville conducted by Rev. E. V. Warren. Pallbearers were Walter Draper, William Draper, Elmer Peters, Mervin Connell, Alvin Rye and Angus Cowleson.

OBITUARY
H. E. HANSFORD

Henry Edward (Ted) Hansford, Mount Albert, died on Nov. 28 after a brief illness. He was in his 83rd year. Mr. Hansford was born in London, England, and was married to Annie Vincent who predeceased him three years ago. He attended the United church and was a member of the Independent Order of Foresters. He was a retired farmer.

Surviving are daughters Mrs. Reg. Willhe (Marjorie), Mrs. Roy Campbell (Jessie), Mrs. Jack Irving (Evelyn); brothers Charlie, Midland, Sam, Toronto; and a sister, Mrs. A. Murray (Mabel), Toronto.

Rev. C. P. Shapter conducted the funeral service which was held in The Chapel, Mount Albert cemetery.

OBITUARY
ALBERT HOOVER

After an illness of three years, Albert Hoover passed away on December 11 at York County hospital where he was a patient for nearly three weeks. Service was held at O'Neill funeral parlors, Stouffville, conducted by Rev. Sider, Gormley United Missionary church. Interment was at Lemonville cemetery.

SHARON
Friday, Dec. 22, at 8 p.m. at Sharon hall, Nativity Play by St. James' church with carol singing.
Sunday, Dec. 24, Morning Prayer at St. James' church at 11 o'clock as usual, followed in the evening by carol singing at 11.15 p.m. with Dean C. R. Fielding of Trinity College, Toronto, officiating at Holy Communion at 11.45 p.m.

GIVE SNOW TICKETS
The Office Specialty Mfg. Co. Ltd. this week gave each one of its employees two tickets for Wednesday's showing of *Morning Departure* at the Romy Theatre, Newmarket.

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Santa Comes To Landing With Gifts, Music, Floats

Holland Landing had its third annual Santa Claus parade on Saturday afternoon with a variety of color and floats which would have been a credit to centres several times larger. The parade was led by a color party of Legion members, with Mrs. C. E. Bonnell in red coat astride her horse flanked by two mounted clowns, and Pop Walker in highland costume leading a col-lie.

The floats which followed included a manger scene on Babe Tate's truck, Goldilocks and the Three "Bears", Earby Ruthven and his Pierce Arrow, a scene

of the Night Before Christmas, the Rod and Gun club float.

The Poplar Bank service station entered a decorated jeep and Harold Simpson from Queensville had a decorated oil truck. The Newmarket Dairy, a taxi firm and the Landing fire equipment were also in the parade. Mrs. Aino Schubert had a car decorated with the colored trees she makes. There was a float with Old Mother Hubbard cradling her pup and looking woefully at her bare cupboard. There were children in costume and decorated cars and wagons as well.

There were clowns and prize dogs and music from the Newmarket Citizens' Band. It was a grand parade and after, Santa distributed gifts in the hall.

Mayor Alex Bell Sends Christmas Message

Mayor Alex Bell of Aurora in his first Christmas message said, "It has been a pleasure to be mayor during the past 12 months. My ambition is to continue to serve to the best of my ability and help to make Aurora a better place in which to live.

"I greatly appreciate the honor tendered me by my re-election by acclamation, and I am aware of the responsibility that honor demands. We face a grave year in 1951 but with the continued co-operation and goodfellowship of the members of council I have every confidence that we, as members, shall carry on the work which will come before us in such a manner that it will meet with the approval of the citizens of Aurora. Merry Christmas and a very very happy New Year to everyone."

DAUGHTER WEDS IN WINDSOR

Mrs. Flossie Prosser, daughter of Mrs. Annie Sanderson, Newmarket, and the late Thomas Sanderson, was married to Mr. Bert Ruggles November 20 at the Campbell Ave. Baptist church in Windsor. Rev. J. H. Watt officiated.

The bridesmaid was Miss Verna Smith, Detroit, and Mr. Carl Smith, Detroit, was best man.

The bride was given in marriage by her eldest son, Earl. The usher was another son, Eldon. After the service, the bride party had dinner at the Anderson Hotel, Amherstburg, where 21 guests were present, followed by a reception attended by 50 guests at the bride's home. Out-of-town guests included the bride's mother, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Keen, Detroit, Miss Bev Smith, Detroit, and Mr. Hap Van Housen, Detroit, and Mrs. Ada Heriman, Detroit.

The couple traveled to Chicago for a few days, then visited the bride's brother, Rev. E. J. Sanderson, Fargo, N.D., for a week. They will reside in Windsor.

ZEPHYR

The regular monthly meeting of the W.A. of Zephyr United church has been cancelled for the month of December.

Teen Topics

By CRIS MOORE

Teen Topics is based on letters received and does not necessarily apply to any one individual.

Dear Cris,
I have been going with a boy for about three months, and I would like to give him something for Christmas, but frankly I don't know what. Would you have any suggestions?

S. L. B.
I must say that you have left me rather in the dark. I do not know how much you are prepared to spend, I don't know his financial position. If he smokes, I would suggest a lighter. A nice pair of hand-knit socks would never come amiss. Has he plenty of sweaters, shirts, ties, etc.? Perhaps he would like a new wallet. I saw a few smart ones in one of the local stores the other day.

Jimmy M. Your problem is almost parallel to one that appeared in this column several weeks ago. If you have been reading my columns regularly as your letter claims, then I think that your worries are over.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all my friends and readers a very Merry Christmas.

Write your problems or suggestions to Teen Topics, care of Era and Express.

AURORA ELECTION

(Continued from Page 1)

per meeting and during the past year our meetings have doubled," said Councillor Glass, "yet the mayor still only receives the same for his services."

Deputy reeve Corner said the mayor should be given full credit for having had the road allowance reviewed by the department of highways with the result that an increase of \$7,000 has been approved, bringing the 1950 total allowance to \$18,000.

CARE ON STREETS

(Continued from Page 1)

every citizen will continue to co-operate," said Chief Jones. He added to his annual caution regarding the strict inspection of Christmas tree lights before they are put on the tree, a further warning about Christmas wrappings and careless smoking.

Retiring fire chief Joe Brammer, Newmarket, reminds residents to check Christmas tree lighting for frayed wiring. Caution should be taken about power overloading with lights, electrical toys and appliances by inspecting fuses to see they are not more than 15 amp. capacity. There should be no pennies or tinfoil behind them.

Dry Christmas trees are easily ignited by sparks caused by connecting lights. Electric trains and other electric toys should not be plugged into connections near water, heating or gas pipes which a child could touch while plugging in the wire.

Newmarket Social News

—Mr. Fred McMurray, accompanied by Alex. McMurray, Craighurst, spent the weekend in Sudbury and attended the funeral of their brother-in-law, Dr. Norman F. Downe.

—Mrs. Friend Morton, Keswick, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. Rolph, for the Christmas season.

—Mrs. J. R. Thomas is spending Christmas day with Mrs. L. Rolph.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarran, Atikokan, Northern Ontario, arrived home by plane on Monday for three weeks' holiday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hill and family of Udonia will spend Christmas with Mr. Hill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hill.

—Guests last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smith included Mrs. William Frisley, Mrs. Frank Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Hynes and family of Toronto.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Apps and daughter of Port Credit visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Apps on Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Bert Plummer and daughter, Doreen, and Mr. Wm. Lawrence, Toronto, will be guests on Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sawdon.

—Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sheppard attended the funeral services of William Sharpe on Saturday.

—Mrs. Geo. Nablo, Toronto, will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lowe.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mc-

Geachie, Toronto, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Rogers.

—Guests for Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Duncan and family will include Mrs. Frank Duncan, Toronto, Mr. Donald Duncan, Sault Ste Marie, and Miss Patricia Duncan, Toronto.

—Mrs. Dora Campbell and son, Bruce, and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Campbell, Willowdale, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Shropshire for Sunday tea.

—Mrs. Richard Williams, King, spent a few days with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Davis.

—Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rush, Jr., R. R. 2, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rush, Sr.

—Mrs. Alice Rosart, Weston, will spend the Christmas weekend with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sainsbury.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lewis, Helmer Ave., plan to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. Lewis' sister, Mrs. David Davis, and Mr. Davis, Toronto.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Walker and sons, Bob and Bill, Aurora, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Doner will be guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Doner.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lowe, Richmond Hill, will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lowe.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. West and Mr. and Mrs. George Akerhurst, Toronto, visited on Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sheppard after attending the funeral of Wm. Sharpe.

—Mr. Wm. Apps, Toronto, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Apps, on Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Eysolfson and daughter, Ann, Prince Rupert, B.C., will be spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Eysolfson's sister, Mrs. Harry Hill, and Mr. Hill, Mrs. Eysolfson, the former Gladys Rushbrook, was a member of the King George school for nine years.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gould and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Davis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. Hipell, Bond Head.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wally McDonald, Moosejaw, Sask., called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. LaParde on Tuesday.

A pleasant afternoon came to a close by the serving of a lovely lunch by the hostesses, Mrs. O. Smith, Mrs. D. Anderson and Mrs. W. Anderson.

—Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Keeble entertained last Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Caldwell who are spending the Christmas vacation on a Caribbean cruise and will stop off at Havana and Cuba. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Don Bassett, Vandoni, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Belland, Willowdale, and Mr. and Mrs. James MacRae, Edmonton.

—Among recent guests at The Guild of All Arts, Scarborough, were Mr. and Mrs. Keith Davis.

IT'S A Woman's World

BY CAROLINE ION

As Christmas, 1950, dawns on the Christian world, we are assailed from all sides with doubts and fears far more bleak than those entertained 11-years ago. For in 1939, we were still unaware of the six years of grim, destructive warfare which lay ahead.

We did not know at what price victory was to be ours. We were confident in the righteousness of our nation's cause that liberty, personal freedoms and the sanctity of the Christian homes would withstand any onslaught of dictators and their forces. We were mercifully ignorant of the atomic bomb.

But, here we are. Just a little more than a decade later with another conflict in progress. True, the intervening peace has been an uneasy one with almost constant tensions. At one time it was the situation in Palestine; at another, the cold war in Germany. Always there has been an underlying distrust between western powers and Communist Russia, but in our optimism, we have continued to hope that at least some semblance of "peace, goodwill toward men" would evolve.

How can the mothers who lost their sons in the second world war reconcile these losses in the light of Korean developments? The spokesmen of the western nations speak of averting war by our support of the South Korean people. What have we in the Far East now? How many casualties must there be each day for a conflict to be classed as a war?

It can not be a "Merry Christmas" for the families whose sons are awaiting evacuation on those distant beach-heads. Human suffering is not calculated by numbers. The United Nations should not be backed up with force for we are familiar with the disastrous path followed by the unarmed League of Nations. None of us would want our country to follow the humiliating road of appeasement.

But each night as we listen to the reports from the U.N. assembly and hear of the futile attempts towards agreement; the sneering reception given English and American proposals by the Russian delegate and his cohorts, we are filled with a mounting uneasiness. After almost 2,000 years is there still to be no room for the Christ child?

Mrs. J. A. Hewitt

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wishes to announce that she has purchased the

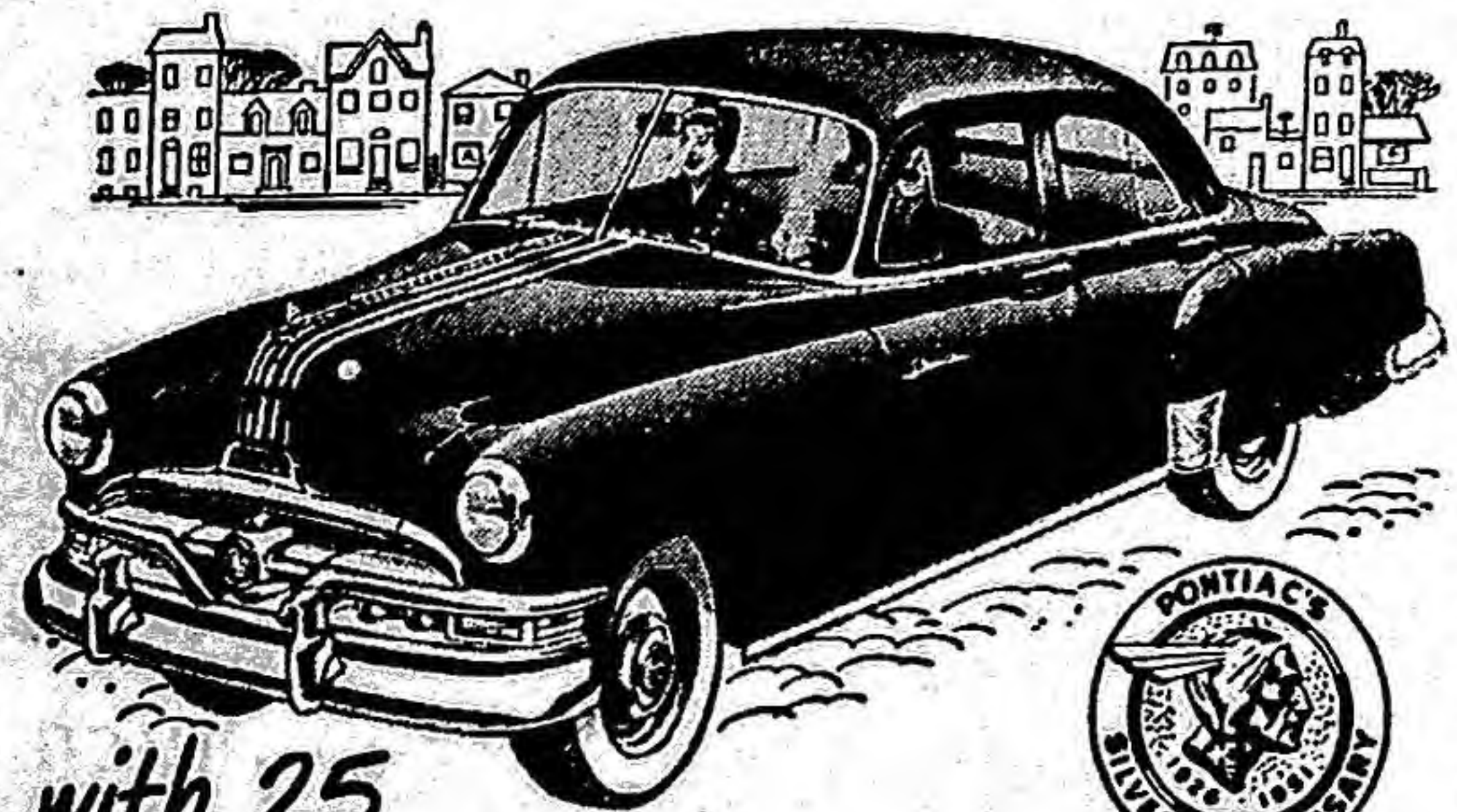
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Mrs. M. B. Seldon was the
guest speaker at the regular
monthly meeting of the Newmar-
ket Women's Institute which was
held in the agricultural board
rooms on Thursday, Dec. 14.
Mrs. T. A. Mitchell presided.
The program was under the di-
rection of Mrs. M. E. R. Boud-
reau's group.

Speaking on Quebec City, Mrs.
Seldon gave a resume of its his-
torical background and strategic
situation. She outlined its phys-
ical features and told of the
characteristics of the city touch-
ing on the school system, cultural
aspects, church and home life
of its people. Her talk was
greatly enjoyed by the large
number in attendance as were
the two piano solos by Miss Mar-
ion Eves.

Christmas carols were sung by
the ladies during the program
with Miss Margaret Gilmour at
the piano. Mrs. Boudreau led
the group in an inspiring prayer
for peace.

Preparations were completed
for the Christmas party which
the Institute is holding for the
second year at the Home for the
Aged, Yonge St. The Institute
wishes to express its appreciation
to those outside the group who
contributed financially to the
project. A very generous re-
sponse was also made by the
members.

The Institute will hold a series
of eueches in the new year to
raise funds for its work.

At the close of the afternoon,
delicious refreshments including
Christmas cake were served.

W.M.S. AUXILIARY ELECTS EXECUTIVE

The annual meeting of Trinity
United church, Newmarket, Wo-
man's Missionary Society Aux-
iliary took place Thursday, Dec.
14, with Mrs. J. A. Maitland pre-
siding. In the devotional period,
a Christmas Candle Light service
was effectively given by six
members, Mrs. E. Morton, Mrs.
S. Quast, Mrs. A. Crowle, Mrs.
G. Boyd, Mrs. F. H. Robinson
and Mrs. Maitland.

Two beautiful solos "The Little
Road to Bethlehem" by Michael
Head and "Gesu Bambino" by
Pietro Yon were sung by Mrs.
Harry Beer with Mr. Norman
Hurrell accompanist.

After the election and installa-
tion of officers Rev. H. Cotton
gave an appropriate and inspir-
ing address on "The Light is still
shining."

The following officers were
elected for 1951: hon. pres., Mrs.
H. Cotton, Mrs. R. McMath; past



The Common Round...

By Isabel Inglis Colville

IT HAPPENS AT CHRISTMAS

The mystery, the beauty and the joy that is
Christmas finds expression in many different ways
and I'd like to speak briefly of a few of these. I could
fill pages if the editor had pages to give me.

The three events of which I
am going to write had one thing
in common - they centred as all
Christmas doings should, around
the incarnation.

ST. JOHN'S CONCERT

Arriving early at the town
hall, we admired the charming
decorations by which Sister
Fleurette had made of the poor
old stage something one could
take pleasure in. Then the Cit-
izens' Band under Bill Greig's
able leadership gave us some-
thing pleasant to listen to and
we were all in as good humor
as one could be when packed
like sardines on chairs which
seem made of concrete.

However, discomfort was for-
gotten when once the curtain
rose and from the opening chor-
uses by the children to the won-
derful closing tableau, there
was real enjoyment and a full
measure of the Christmas spirit
throughout the whole evening.
Lack of space prevents a de-
tailed account but I'd like to
mention a few outstanding
things.

One was little Miss Vale's or-
atorical winning talk on "New-
market". It was given with an
understanding of her subject and
a spirit which was very refresh-
ing. If I do not have names
exactly right forgive me, for
many were strangers to us.
There were two little boys who
did a sort of duo recitation.
They were Donald and Douglas
Curran. Both were excellent,
but one of them could start out
at any time as a comedian and
make a success of it - to look at
him was enough.

We were so glad that there
was dancing. Little Mary Agnes
Curran danced both a Scotch and
Irish reel and was beautifully
costumed for each. This is all
to the good and the more folk
dancing we can encourage in our
schools, the better it will be for
the children. It encourages
good posture, poise and grace
and it was delightful to see the
again beautifully costumed eight
perform a square dance while
two top hatted very young gen-
tlemen did the calling off. Two
numbers by a charming ball-
erina, Kathleen Quigley gave us a
great deal of pleasure, for the
art of the ballet has been slow
in coming into its own in Can-
ada - but it is coming.

Then there were the young
musicians who always have a
special appeal for the other half
of the family and myself. Two
were lads, Paul Forhan and
Barry Buckler, playing a duet,
and here was another thing that
pleased us - so many boys play-
ing. Master Hugo, who gave a
fine piano selection; Rodney West
who will one day make a name
for himself as a coronetist, and
John Giovanelli who is, we can
foresee, going to have a future.
His style and his stage manner
are good and the effects he drew
from his piano-accompanied were
those of an artist.

I have left the one little girl
who played to the last because
little Denise Tunney is very close
to the hearts of my husband and
I. We have watched with some-
thing approaching awe the flow-
ering of genius in this seven-
year-old child and anyone who

pres., Mrs. J. A. Maitland; pres.,
Mrs. W. R. Stephens; first vice
pres., Mrs. F. H. Robinson; sec-
ond vice pres., Mrs. G. Boyd;
rec. sec., Mrs. A. Crowle; assis-
tant rec. sec., Mrs. S. Quast;
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tant corr. sec., Mrs. F. H. Robin-
son; treas., Mrs. Roy Meads;
Temperance sec., Miss S. Wat-
son; literature sec., Mrs. J. A.
Maitland; missionary monthly,
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Morton, Mrs. R. McMath.

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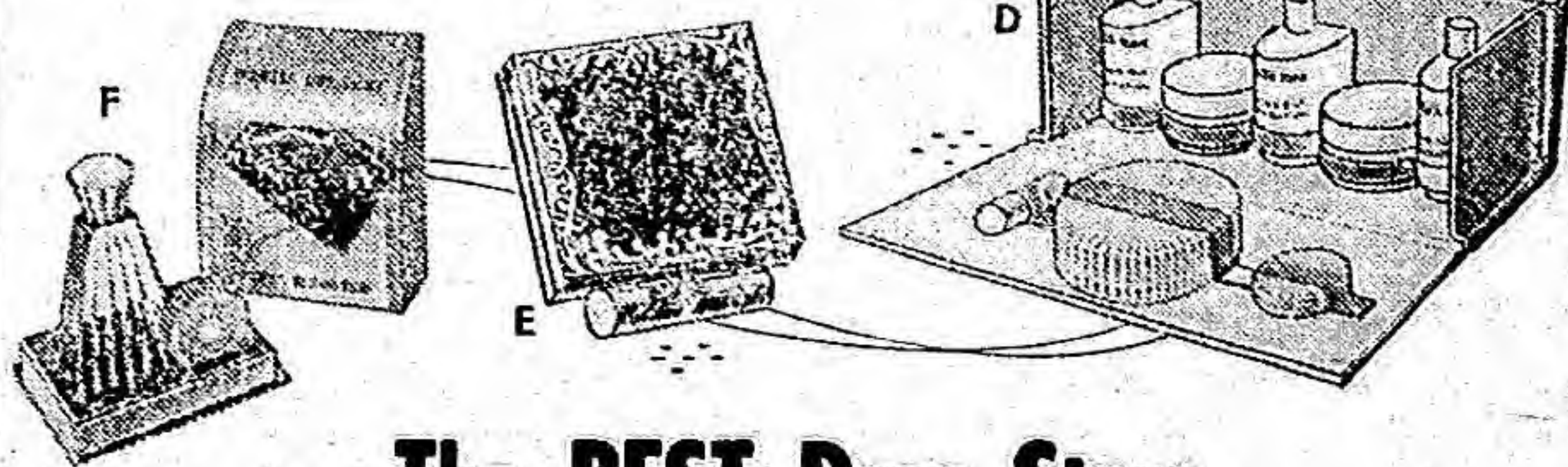
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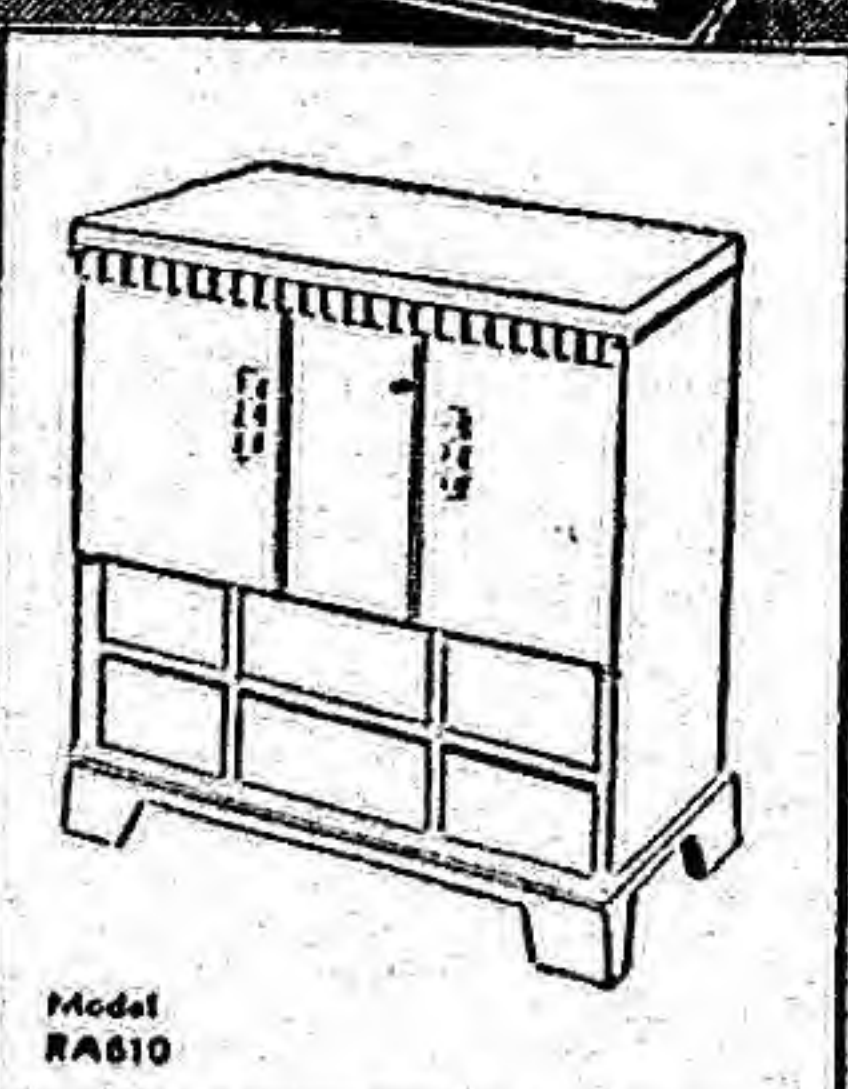


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Wings, Rangers, Canadiens Win Openers In N.H.L. Minors

That'll be the frosty Friday anytime we can't beat those Leafs, was the way the Detroit "Red Wings" went into the opening clash of the Newmarket National Hockey League at the arena Friday. The Red Wings proved they weren't fooling as they snowed the Leafs under a 7-2 barrage.

Freeman West drove home three goals for the Red Wings, Bob Wilson two and Dave Purcell a single to complete the scoring. Bob Forhan sniped for both Leaf counters. In the second game, Rangers slapped a 3-0 skunking on Boston "Bruins". Doug May had two tallies and Geo. Davis, a goal and two assists. Paul Hillaby started off the season right in the Rangers' cage to get a well earned shut-

out. Sparked by Jackie Cain, the Canadiens measured the Black Hawks for a 5-3 coffin. Cain was a whirlwind, pecking away for four goals. Delwyn Creed, with Bob Attwell taking the bow for an assist, polished off the other Canadiens marker. Bob Miller was the number one scorer with the Black Hawks shooting in two. Don Sutton scored the losers' third.

There wasn't a hitch in the opening contests. After this week, when the junior C's take over for their home opener, the league will operate a triple header each Friday. Booster tickets are now on sale - season tickets are \$1.00. Get yours now. League officials also wish to thank LaVerne "Dick" Firth for refereeing last Friday's games.

NOBLETON TRIUMPHS

The propaganda being broadcast from the camp of Andy Closs' Aurora junior D's went off the air suddenly last Thursday. Nobleton, which has been country cousin in the previous square-off between the two teams, came alive and bested Aurora 8-4. Goal getters for Aurora were Bill McHale, Walt Fines, Don Munshaw and Lowell Waller. The teams have set aside a night this week for a rubber-match to be played at Nobleton.

Kettleby Going Up Win Two In Row

Bill Muirhead's Kettleby shoot and skate corps, who have clung to the basement of the King-Vaughan hockey circuit like they loved that sector, are on the move. Last Friday, Kettleby chalked up its second win of the season, flooring Elgin Hastings' Schombergers, erstwhile group top dogs, 5-2.

Bill Attridge, who doubles in brass as playing coach, wound up his scoring mechanism to pace the attack with two goals. Bob Warlow, Ted Rogers and Ken Ham popped away for single counters. John Weedon was again on his toes between the Kettleby pipes. The duo that beat him with Murray Edwards and Henry Hollingshead. They fired a goal each to keep Schomberg in the early hunt.

Only two penalties, one apiece, were meted out as the teams put up a fast, classy display before one of the largest crowds of the season.

In the other contest, Nobleton and Kleinburg cooked up another tie, a two-all deadlock over ten minutes of overtime.

This Friday, Kettleby will try to continue its winning streak against Nobleton. Schomberg will make a stab at getting back on a winning trail against Kleinburg.

Tribe Short Of Players, Lose To 'Bridge 7-5

Minus Ron Simmons, Bill Mundell, Jack Rumney and Ken Broughton, (who is alleged to have surreptitiously flitted to Newmarket Spits without a word to manager Rogers), Aurora Indians dropped a 7-5 verdict to Bracebridge Bears at Bracebridge on Saturday night. The Indians held the Bruins in tow most of the way but finally lack of manpower told the tale. Morrison, O'Hearn, Doolittle and Boychoff did the scoring for Aurora.

Jack Portland's team will visit Aurora shortly for the return match which should be a pip-peroo. Watch for the details.

HOW THEY STAND

KING-VAUGHAN HOCKEY LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pts.
Nobleton	4	1	2	10
Schomberg	3	3	1	7
Kleinburg	1	2	4	6
Kettleby	2	4	1	5

TROLLEY LEAGUE

	W	L	Pts.
Aurora	2	0	4
Daves-Danforth	1	1	2
Woodbridge	0	1	0
Navy club	0	1	0
Wing Wheelers	0	0	0

JUNIOR C O.H.A.

	W	L	Pts.
Barrie	2	0	4
Collingwood	1	1	2
Newmarket	0	1	0
Owen Sound	0	1	0

NEWMARKET TOWN LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pts.
Davis Leather	4	1	0	8
Town Merch.	3	2	0	6
Office Spec.	2	2	1	5
Can. Hoffman	0	4	1	1

AURORA TOWN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pts.
Collis Leather	4	0	8
Victory Flyers	2	2	4
Ditch Diggers	1	2	2
Merchants	1	4	2

Keswick Juveniles Take Win In Last Seconds

Keswick juveniles nudged out their Newmarket counterparts at the Newmarket arena Friday night 3-2. Though the billing read "exhibition hockey", it's doubtful if Hollywood script writers could have dreamed up a more dramatic finish.

It was a two-all hockey game with only a scant ten seconds to go. Keswick raced the hands of the clock and won as Gord Lister parked in front Newmarket hem, picked up a pass steered his way by Ron Sullivan and traded it in for the winning marker.

Newmarket had early success in getting the biscuit into the Keswick cage when Jack Staley poked in Wayne Robinson's feeder and Wayne Robinson with Glen Langford assisting made it 2-0. Keswick didn't make its bid to get back into the fray until late in the second period when Ron Sullivan whipped in a pair with Gord Lister providing the pass in each case. That tied it and that's how it stayed until last ten seconds of play. The teams plan a return "to do" as soon as ice is available at Keswick.

Keswick: goal, B. Kay; def. F. Thompson, M. Winch; c. W. Donnell; w. P. Dolan, A. Lister; alts., D. Huntley, W. Henry, R. Sullivan, G. Lister, R. Connell, G. Davidson, H. Taylor.

Newmarket: goal, J. Burke; def. K. Ball, F. Morton; c. W. Robinson; w. G. Langford, J. Staley; alts., D. Hines, R. Bell, M. Barker, D. Lyons, S. Pollard, N. Lightheart, B. Rogers, C. Rickard, B. Burch, J. Watt, R. Lockhart, D. Card, W. Bennett, W. McCachen.

Aurora Midgets Score 8-4 Win Over Newmarket

Here's a note for your 1951 calendar: "Watch Bill Mundell's Aurora midgets cut a handsome caper in the O.M.H.A. play-downs".

Friday night, coach Bill Mundell brought his midget C team along to the local ice diggins and proceeded to give Newmarket B club a skating and scoring lesson. After school was out and noses counted, the visitors had administered an 8-4 knock-out punch. Co-authors in the stark tragedy that struck the locals were Grant Edwards and Doug Morning. The former was a ball of fire on the attack, whipping home four goals, with Doug Morning chasing him close to pick up three tallies. Ron Knowles completed the scoring picture for the visitors.

Bob Forhan was Newmarket's strong link with two goals. Delwyn Creed and Freeman West tacked on singles.

Aurora: goal, R. Starkey; def. B. Andrews, D. Winters; c. G. Chapman; w. J. Richards, G. Edwards; alts., S. Wilson, D. Morning, R. Knowles, R. Chapman, T. McCliney.

Newmarket: goal, G. Langford; def. P. Smith, B. Broadbent; c. G. Davis; w. B. Attwell, W. Mair; alts., M. Young, P. Stewart, W. Beaudoin, B. Forhan, R. Collins, L. VanZant, F. West, G. Fallis, B. Hodgins, J. Yoshimura.

BUSY SATURDAY

Early Ruthven of the Newmarket Taxi, and Del Gibney had a busy time of it on Saturday. They attended the Holland Landing Santa Claus parade with their mighty Pierce Arrow, and then roared off to Mount Albert in time to ride in the parade there.

At least ten countries use the eagle as the symbol of supremacy.

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Haskett's

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BY GEORGE HASKETT

Newmarket Sports Editor

It's customary at this time of the year to give a little thought to that guy with the whiskers who is beginning to breathe down our necks. If he doesn't get a little play he's going to miss us.

Have been keeping our ear glued to the dressing room doors and picked up a few hints on what our hockey pals are asking for for Christmas. Here's their shopping lists: coach Larry Molyneux and the Spitfire executive want to be free of the injury jinx. A side order from both coach Molyneux and Indian chieftan Harold Rogers are a few plays out of the metropolitan area with no strings attached.

For John Hines and the Trolley Leaguers - a sixth team. League has five now, Aurora, Daves-Danforth, Navy, Woodbridge and Winged Wheelers. For Aurora fans, another thriller like last Tuesday's Indians-Daves-Danforth clash. It was a pip and rated a full house. For Joe Peat, Frank Johnston and Rocket junior executive, a group that doesn't take them from h-1 to Owen Sound. Does seem, now that we're in the Christmas spirit of giving, that a group composed of Brampton, Aurora, Unionville and Newmarket would have proved a better financial proposition for all concerned.

For Bill Young, president, Cec Taylor, sponsor, and "Jing" Groves, coach of juveniles, a group to read something like Queensville, Keswick, Mount Albert and Newmarket. For founders and boosters of National Hockey League, that healthy set-up being sprung into the limelight this winter, somebody to buy a flock of season-booster tickets. Of course, don't want money matters to crop up at a time like this but could say season tickets covering all games cost a buck each so we'll say it anyhow.

For "Ceegars" McDonald and Bob Benville and the Hoffman "Ironmen" of the town league, a win. They haven't had the victory bird land on their shoulders over two seasons. Keep trying, men, the law of averages is with you. For our town leaguers in general, both at Newmarket and Aurora, a full house just for once.

Even had a peak at some of the letters addressed to Santa

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PROCLAMATION CIVIC HOLIDAY Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1950 BOXING DAY

Whereas at a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket held on the 11th day of December, 1950, it was resolved that Tuesday, December 26th, 1950 (Boxing Day) be and the same is hereby fixed as a Civic Holiday for the current year and that the Mayor be authorized to publish a proclamation in connection therewith.

These are, therefore, to make known that in compliance with the aforesaid resolution I do hereby proclaim TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1950 (Boxing Day) as a CIVIC HOLIDAY of which all persons are hereby requested to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Mayor's Office,
Newmarket, December 12, 1950.

JOSEPH VALE,
Mayor.

GOD SAVE THE KING

Greetings

On this joyous Christmas we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our patrons and business associates for their friendship - their co-operation - their loyalty during the past year. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

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Pages from the Editor's Notebook

"Peace on Earth, Good Will towards Men."

That ancient message of hope is almost drowned out by the clatter of tank tread and the shrill vindictiveness of communist speakers in the councils of the United Nations.

What peace? What good will when one half of the world is determined to subject the other half, when the west must fight if it is to preserve the tradition of the angels' song.

This Christmas we will find our happiness with our families and our friends. If we look beyond that immediate circle, we see nothing but the gathering twilight of war. We can take no joy in the promise of peace on earth. There will be no peace, not for many years to come. When it has come, it will have been purchased at dreadful cost.

The way is hard. It is a way, which, despite the years of two world wars, we have never travelled in this country. If we are to persevere, we must be strengthened in the hope, the promise, that we can truly achieve a lasting peace that good will can be established.

There are those whose sight is blinded by the immediate possibilities of war. They are crippled. Our cause itself is crippled if we lose our faith that beyond the storm there is the sunlight of lasting peace.

These doubters are persons of little faith. They need look no further than neighbors for the strength of hope. These columns record that faith. It can be found in the story of the Sargent family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Sargent were burned out on Thursday evening. They and their five children and a sixth child who was staying with them lost

everything in the fire. They had only the clothes they stood in.

Mr. and Mrs. Sargent are a hard working couple. Both husband and wife work by day as well as doing their farm chores in the early morning and in the evening after their days at the factories. And in a few short hours, they lost everything.

"It was an unhappy Friday morning," says Clare Sargent. "We had nothing."

They had nothing, that is, until the neighbors began to come with food and clothing, bedding and furniture. A place was found for them to stay. On all sides, there was evidence of the generosity of friends.

Here is the evidence of good will. Here are the simple ingredients of the lasting peace we all want.

Look a little further, at the innumerable funds, the evidence of the generosity of neighbor to neighbor, of the helping hand.

Here is where we can renew our faith. Here is where we can find the vision to penetrate the immediate doubts that face us.

It has become our custom to print the story of the Nativity as recorded by St. Luke in our editorial columns each year at this time. Never, it seems to us, has it had more significance. In the headlines, we can read of the preparations for war and we can know the dreadful determination with which war, if it must come, will be fought.

But the sweet song of the angels has a meaning that transcends the present and in it, and in the good will and faith of our neighbors, there is a promise, a promise which, if we will believe in it, we can make come true.

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Peace... Good Will...

From the Files of 25 and 50 Years Ago

DECEMBER 18, 1925

The cradle roll and beginners' party of the United church was held on Wednesday with 75 children and 25 mothers present. Miss Jean Hunter and Mrs. George Barker were in charge. The program consisted of a reading by Miss Olive Niles; story, Mrs. Hone; song, Master John Hone; piano solo, Aileen Rowland; recitations, Lois Cane, Jean Davis; solos, Grace Barker, Jean Hamilton.

Eastbourne Farm made creditable showing this year in wool exhibits at the Fall and Winter Fairs at Toronto, Ottawa, London and Guelph. It took four second prizes; two thirds and two fourths in the two sections, medium combing and low medium combing, into which the Eastbourne wool grades.

There was quite a crowd of buyers at the yards of the King George hotel last Saturday. All 20 were sold at prices ranging from \$40 up to \$95.

Miss Margaret Gilmour and Mr. Gordon Thompson are the new assistants at the post office for the Christmas rush.

Members of the Newmarket high school staff paid a surprise visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ramsden on Wednesday evening. Mr. Kidd read the address and Miss Cole presented them with a cut glass water set.

Santa arrived at Parson's Fair last Saturday morning in an auto truck accompanied by a brass band.

The I.C.B.D. club held a Christmas tree party at the Office Specialty on Wednesday night. Miss Beryl Bogart and Miss Nora McIntosh were the prizewinners.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sherman and young daughter are visiting in town. Mr. Sherman is the son of the late Mr. H. Sherman, Roche's Point, and is at present manager of the Union Oil Co., for Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico.

DECEMBER 21, 1900

Capt. Jas. Wayling, Sharon, leaves Toronto for active duty in South Africa on January 3. He will serve as lieutenant in Col. Baden-Powell's force of Mounted Police.

Mr. A. E. Widdifield has purchased the exclusive right to cut ice on the Bogartown pond and is going into the business on an extensive scale. He is purchasing additional property near his residence on which he will erect a large ice house.

It was from four to eight degrees below zero last Friday morning.

During the past season Messrs. Cane and Sons have shipped nearly 700 cars of logs from Penetang to their factory at Newmarket and nearly all of it has been used in pails or tubs. The firm is manufacturing 4,470 pails and tubs a day.

There was quite a big crowd of people in town last Saturday but rather small market. Butter was inclined to be cheaper and sold from 16 to 19 cents and eggs had an upward tendency, good fresh eggs going as high as 25 cents per doz. Dressed turkeys were in demand from nine to ten cents, geese six cents, ducks 60 to 70 cents and chickens all the way from 40 to 70 cents a pair. Potatoes were scarce.

On Wednesday evening a number of members of the Friends church met at the residence of Mr. L. Lehman and presented Miss Palmer, who has accepted a position as school teacher near Ottawa, with a purse.

The carpenter department at Cane's factory is busy getting out seats, altar railing, choir circle and doors for the new Davenport Methodist church in Toronto.

Miss Marjory Pearson, Queensville, expects to leave for New York soon after New Year's to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Empire.

ONE-TRACK MINDS



"And lo, the Angel of the Lord came upon them"

St. Luke, Chapter II, Verses 4 to 20

- 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem: (because he was of the house of lineage of David:)
- 5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.
- 6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
- 7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.
- 8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
- 9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.
- 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
- 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
- 12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
- 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,
- 14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
- 15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into the heaven, the shepherds said, one to another, Let us now go even to Bethlehem, and see this thing which has come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us.
- 16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.
- 17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning the child.
- 18 And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.
- 19 But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.
- 20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

The state is the servant, not the master, of the people; the state is their guarantee against infringement on their rights, their agent in international and national issues; it is not the function of the state to assume the direction of those activities which rest on individual choice.

Office Cat Reports Catnips By Ginger

"Twas the night before..." There was a sudden clatter as the lid of the bread box fell to the floor. Hadn't I taken care of that mouse last year at this time?

I put down my leather bound copy of "Under the River, Across the Trees and Between the Bushes" and strode into the kitchen.

"Who's there?" I shouted in anger. "I'll certainly have no stirring about this house on the night before..." The cellar window creaked open and then slammed shut.

I looked about the kitchen. All was quiet, nothing stirring. There was a note beside the open bread box. It read, "I have taken a loaf of bread and a piece of that Christmas cake. I and the other mice have decided that this is no place to stir in the night before Christmas from past experience so we and some other mice from Gorham St. have leased the drill hall for the night and are having a party. Singed, Horace."

"Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house, not a creature was stirring..." There was a knock at the door. I put down my leather bound copy of "Now We Are Six" and strode, annoyed, to the front door.

A very young mouse stood shivering at the doorway. "Well?" I said in the most miserable voice I could find.

"I have been kicked out of my own house," the small mouse said plaintively. "I live at the house of Mo the Miserable over on Notta Ave. He said that he wasn't going to have any miserable mice stirring around his house on

Christmas Eve and he delivered an ultimatum to get out or else. Did you ever hear of such heartlessness?"

"Well I er ah," I stammered. "In this season when one is supposed to be kind and loving to all, can you think of anything more cruel than kicking one into the cold?"

"Well, that is, I don't..." "No I didn't think you would, knowing your kind nature," and the little mouse turned and poked his head around the corner of the house. "Come on gang, it's all right! All clear!" he shouted.

And so it was that seven mice tramped in, not through the cellar window as they usually do, but brazenly through the front door as if they were some honored guests with their noses in the air.

I was in no mood to spend Christmas Eve alone reading while a mouse party was going on in the kitchen. Pots and pans rattled in the cupboard and there were bread crumbs all over the floor. The mice romped and partied ignoring the existence of their host.

So I called in Slim Bliggins and the boys to have a little bull session.

"Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house,

Seven creatures were stirring, every one a mouse.

"Christmas," said Slim, "ain't nothin' but mockery

If the mice ain't stirrin' about bustin' the crockery."

"Surely," said Humphrat, with profound conclusion,

We'd be un-Christmas spirited if we denied their inclusion."

"Surely we'd," I said.

by "Dairy Farmer" The Top Six Inches

A fellow dairyfarmer tells us that at the last meeting of the Toronto Milk Producers Association, the delegates voted to exclude the representatives of the press from their deliberations. The first vote was just a show of hands and uncomfortably close so the president, who must be well versed in the art of psychology or how to make unhappy delegates happy, asked for a standing vote, with the above mentioned results. He promised the press would be given an official statement.

Well, there you are! Several hundred delegates, all dairy farmers, we hope, and all duly elected at the annual meetings of the different districts, descended that day on Toronto. Presumably most of them did the chores before leaving home, or shall we say, their daily Boy Scout deed. The hired man doing chores gets paid for his labor, but the farmer or dairy farmer milking two or three times a day might get paid for his feed or for his ready expenses or maybe interest on his invested capital, but by no stretch of his imagination does he get paid for his labor as worker or as manager. So his effort and the effort of all delegates assembled at the meeting was a good deed. We bet all of them felt happy about it.

Their feelings must have been heightened by the closeness of the Christmas season and as they drove their cars through the heavy traffic of the morning rush hour, they must have felt a great deal of warmth around their hearts and a feeling of a generous job well done. When they got to the meeting and their elected officers asked them, "Do you want that other people should know and recognize your generosity?" a few selfish fellows said yes, let the press in, but others on the gentle urging of the well established few at the top, threw hands up in horror and cried "No! Let us be modest and generous but remain unknown to the great public. Why should all those nice children and lovely parents choke on their daily milk in the knowledge that it was provided

to them at cost, less labor". And so the press was voted out.

This is the only explanation we can find for this utterly ill-advised, and downright stupid resolution. Is there any reason for excluding the press when the dairy farmers in this country are spending several hundred thousand dollars on selling milk and establishing better public relations? Can anybody think of a better way of losing friends than by not telling the public what our problems are and what we are up against in supplying several hundred thousand people with their daily necessity?

Did those delegates think that there were secrets that had to be kept from the public? Were they afraid that some dirty linen might get washed? Or were the directors afraid that some newspaper man might see something that might hurt. The more we look for an explanation, the more confused we get, because no matter how we look at it, there is no valid reason in a democracy for doing a thing like this. This was the decision of a group that has an inferiority complex and was sulking because of some past injury. This is no way to influence the public in our favor. It is only public opinion that will get us the marketing legislation and all the other things we want, including a better price.

Finally, didn't those delegates and the selected few at the top realize that by avoiding the gaze of the public and excluding the press we do the job of those whose interest it is to hold prices down to insure their own profit? Did you ever see a labor union, campaigning for raise in pay, exclude the press? No you didn't and neither did we. But we've seen a lot the other way around.

Well, we guess, as in any form of democracy, we have as good a representation and board of directors as we deserve. You might not agree with us, but in any case, it won't stop us from wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY



Many Quaint Christmas Customs Originated In Old Country

HOLLY NIGHT

In Westmoreland, in the north of England, Old Christmas Night is known as "Holly Night", or "Holling", from an annual procession which took place in the town of Brough. Here an ash or holly tree, lighted at the top of the branches to which firing material had been tied, was carried in procession through the streets. About eight o'clock in the evening the torches were lighted and, accompanied by the town band, the tree was carried in stately procession around the town. Rockets and squibs were discharged and many people also carried torches and lighted branches.

CAROLLING CHILDREN

The "milly-box", lined with sugar and oranges and containing two small figures, which is still occasionally carried by Yorkshire children when they go carol-singing from house to house on Christmas Eve, is a relic of the ancient custom, common in the northern counties of England until the close of the last century, of carrying figures of Our Lady and the Holy Child in procession with the carol singers. The word "milly" is a corruption of "My Lady". In Cleveland, Yorkshire, the same box is called a "beasel-cup" and the children who carry it say that they are going "A-wassailing", an invitation to give them a blessing and a love.

HOLY NIGHT WEATHER

Country people in Britain still watch the sky on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day for signs of a change in the weather, for there is an ancient belief that the weather at this time is a strong portent for that to come throughout the year. "Wise and cunning masters of astrology", we are told, "have found that a man may see and mark for the weather of Holy Night how the whole year after shall be". When Christmas night was clear and starry, it was taken that the year's crop of fruit and wine would be a plentiful one. On the other hand, if Christmas night was foul and windy, the year to come would be "verry scant of wine and fruit". But if the wind arose at the rising of the sun then "it betokeneth great dearth of cattle and beasts this year". And if the wind arose at sunset "it signifies death to some among the kings and great lords".

BOAR'S HEAD FEAST

Queen's College, Oxford University, has a Boar's Head Feast on Christmas Day, which originated in the story of a student who was attacked by a wild boar some 500 years ago, while studying Aristotle during a walk. He killed his formidable adversary by thrusting the volume down the animal's throat. Today a papier mache head replaces the 50-pound specimen under the weight of which two attendants used to stagger in bygone days, but the spirit of the ceremony remains unchanged. As the choir sings the last notes of a traditional carol, the head is placed on the table of the Provost, the principal of the college. The Provost then presents the ornaments and embellishments one by one to the choirboys and visitors, the solo singer receiving the orange.

CHRISTMAS HOSPITALITY FOR STUDENTS

For almost 30 years the East and West Friendship Council, with its H.Q. at Annandale, North End Road, London, has been arranging Christmas hospitality for students from faraway lands who cannot go home for the holiday season. Arrangements are made for as many as possible to spend Christmas Day in private homes, sharing the festivities with U.K. families. The Council has local committees in every university town in Britain and these do their best to make the students from overseas feel at home always - but especially at Christmas.

THE "CAPTAIN'S ROUNDS"

The Royal Navy tries to assure that as many as possible of its ships are in harbor on Christmas Day. For the unlucky ones on patrol or on passage - and there are a good many this year in the Far East - the best that can be expected is "Sunday routine", with work reduced to a minimum. Festivities have to wait till harbor is reached. For the Navy in harbor, the big event of the day is "Captain's Rounds", when the Commanding Officer of each ship, attended by his officers, goes the round of the whole ship, greeting his men and being offered hospitality by them on each of the gaily preceded by the youngest boy in the ship, dressed in the uniform of the ships' senior petty officer, the Master at Arms (or police chief of the ship). Men are allowed to wear improvised fancy dress on that day and may even "impersonate" the captain. The youngest boy has his hour of glory again on New Year's Eve when he "rings out the old and rings in the new" - with 16 bells instead of the traditional eight which mark the end of a four-hour period at sea.

SWIMMING IN THE SERPENTINE

In the Serpentine, a lake in London's Hyde Park, there will be a swimming race on Christmas morning, for what is known as the Peter Pan Trophy. (The statue of Peter Pan - "the boy who never grew up" - stands near the lake). Those competing will be members of the Serpentine Swimming Club, whose ages range from the early 20's to the late 70's. Wintery weather does not deter these hardy swimmers. If the lake is frozen over, they will just break the ice and dive in. This year's event will be the club's 87th annual Christmas Day race.

50 MILLION GREETINGS

The practice of exchanging the compliments of the season at Christmas time by means of greeting cards originated less than a century and a half ago. But in that time the custom has spread to many countries, and each Christmas millions of cards are sent through the post bearing good wishes all over the world. The task of producing greeting cards is one which, in Britain, employs thousands of men and women throughout the year. One typical firm specializing in this type of work, founded in Dundee, Scotland, in 1825, has a staff of more than 1,200 and produces in the region of 50 million cards a year.

THE ORIGIN OF THE CRACKER

Christmas crackers originated in Britain some 70 years ago. The idea was brought back from a Continental holiday by Tom Smith, a confectioner and maker of wedding cake ornaments. Tom saw a French confectioner make his candies more attractive by wrapping them in tissue paper. That Christmas, he wrapped his sugared almonds in this way. Later, to make the packages more entertaining he included a loving message in each wrapping and so began the present-day cracker.

LEGEND OF ST. FILLIAN'S STONES

At Killin, Perthshire, Scotland, the villagers pull rushes each Christmas from a nearby stream to make a resting-place for a number of stones taken from the gables of an ancient corn-mill. They are not ordinary stones, for the villagers believe that they were used centuries ago by their patron saint, St. Fillian, to cure ague, sprains and other ailments and injuries.

CHARMING THE ORCHARDS

Old Christmas Day, or Twelfth Night, has its own celebrations. In Devonshire in the south of England, famous for its apple-cider, the custom of "Charming the Orchards" was handed down until almost within living memory. Local farmers and their men went to their orchards after dark on Twelfth Night, carrying guns and a great jar of cider, with a large piece of toast or cake floating in it. No gun was considered to be too old, if it was able to hold the priming, and the more noise it made the better. When the party had reached one of the largest apple trees, the farmers addressed it while the guns were discharged. The cider was then handed round, and the sop of cake eaten, but care was taken to see that a good-sized piece was left in a fork of the tree for the robins, for if this was left undone the charm would have no effect. Finally the men returned to the farmhouse to drink more cider and to tell tales round the fire until morning. Like many old superstitions, this custom was founded on a practical belief: the shot was supposed to tear the bark of the tree and to quicken the fruiting in a similar manner to the English technique of beating a walnut tree.

LAMB'S WOOL IN THE WASSAIL BOWL

In Britain people still use some of the recipes of the Christmas concoctions drunk in the 17th and 18th centuries and served in what were called "wassail bowls". One much favored was "Lamb's Wool", not as innocuous as it sounds, for it was a mixture of ale, roasted apples, sugar and spice, sometimes eggs, thick cream and snippets of bread. The silver-gilt wassail bowl belonging to Jesus College, at Oxford University, which no doubt has often been filled with this beverage, holds ten gallons, even the ladle holds half a pint.

ORPHANS REMEMBERED

Ever since last Christmas, supervisors and telephonists of the telephone exchanges at Faraday Building, London, have been busy saving each week to purchase Christmas toys and presents for children in hospitals, orphanages and similar institutions. For over 22 years the staffs of Faraday Building have given up many hours of their leisure time to dress dolls and make toys to brighten the lives of these youngsters at the festive season. Faraday Building, by the way, is named after

Michael Faraday, British scientist of the 19th century, who won fame for his achievements with electricity.

THE "MUMMERS"

In many scattered villages in the north of England, shepherds, stockmen, horsemen and other farm hands will once again this Christmas perform the ancient Mumming Play. With blackened faces and fancy clothes, they will repeat the words which have been handed down through hundreds of years. Chief actors are King (or Saint) George, a quack doctor and Father Christmas. In the play, the King gives battle and slays his enemies one by one. All, in turn, are resurrected by the doctor. One of the oldest of the "mumming" troupes is that at Alderley Edge on the borders of the counties of Cheshire and Derbyshire. There are others among the dales of Yorkshire.



HOLIDAY Greetings

In this Merry Christmas Season, may you find the start of a very Happy New Year.


Newmarket Grill and Staff



Greetings

Here is our wish to all our friends - that this may be the Merriest Christmas ever - the Happiest, Healthiest and Most Prosperous New Year of all.

DYER'S FURNITURE
NEWMARKET



Greetings

Good health, Good fortune and Good cheer are just a few of the GOOD things we wish you for Christmas and the New Year.


BROADBENT'S BAKERY
AND STAFF



MERRY CHRISTMAS

String up the lights, dust off the shiny ornaments - for it's time to decorate the tree and to wish all our many friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

F. N. CHANDLER
and STAFF
Ladies' and Children's Wear



JOYOUS CHRISTMAS!

With a song in our heart we extend to our many friends our wishes for a joyous Christmas and a New Year of beautiful success and good health.


RIDDELL'S BAKERY
AND STAFF



Merry Christmas

What is Christmas made of? Christmas is loyalty. It is unselfishness... devotion. May you, who have given all of these, find them today in your friends, your neighbors... find them still, next year and all the years to come. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Graves & Allan
USED CARS
Newmarket Barrie



Merry Christmas

To our faithful old friends, to our devoted new friends and to those whose friendships we hope to earn - we wish a most cheerful Christmas and a New Year filled with all the good things in life - Health, Happiness and enduring Peace.

We extend this greeting, not because it is the customary thing to do but because it is a sentiment genuinely felt, for as the years go by our appreciation of cherished friendships becomes greater and greater.

YOUR GENERAL ELECTRIC DEALER

Newmarket Radio Electric
AND STAFF



Peace... Good Will...

Everywhere, among good people, there exists a longing to make our world tranquil and prosperous — a desire for man to unite for peace, good will and understanding. For from good will comes forbearance and from understanding, a better way of life. And what better time than Christmas for every man to renew the realization that all our good human relationships — yes, even our business relationships, are based upon our faith in God and our fellow man. Only through this faith can we assure the continuance of freedom without fear — tolerance without tyranny — democracy and lasting peace.

It is in this spirit of good fellowship that we wish everyone —

A Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year!

Newmarket Manufacturers Association

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With best wishes

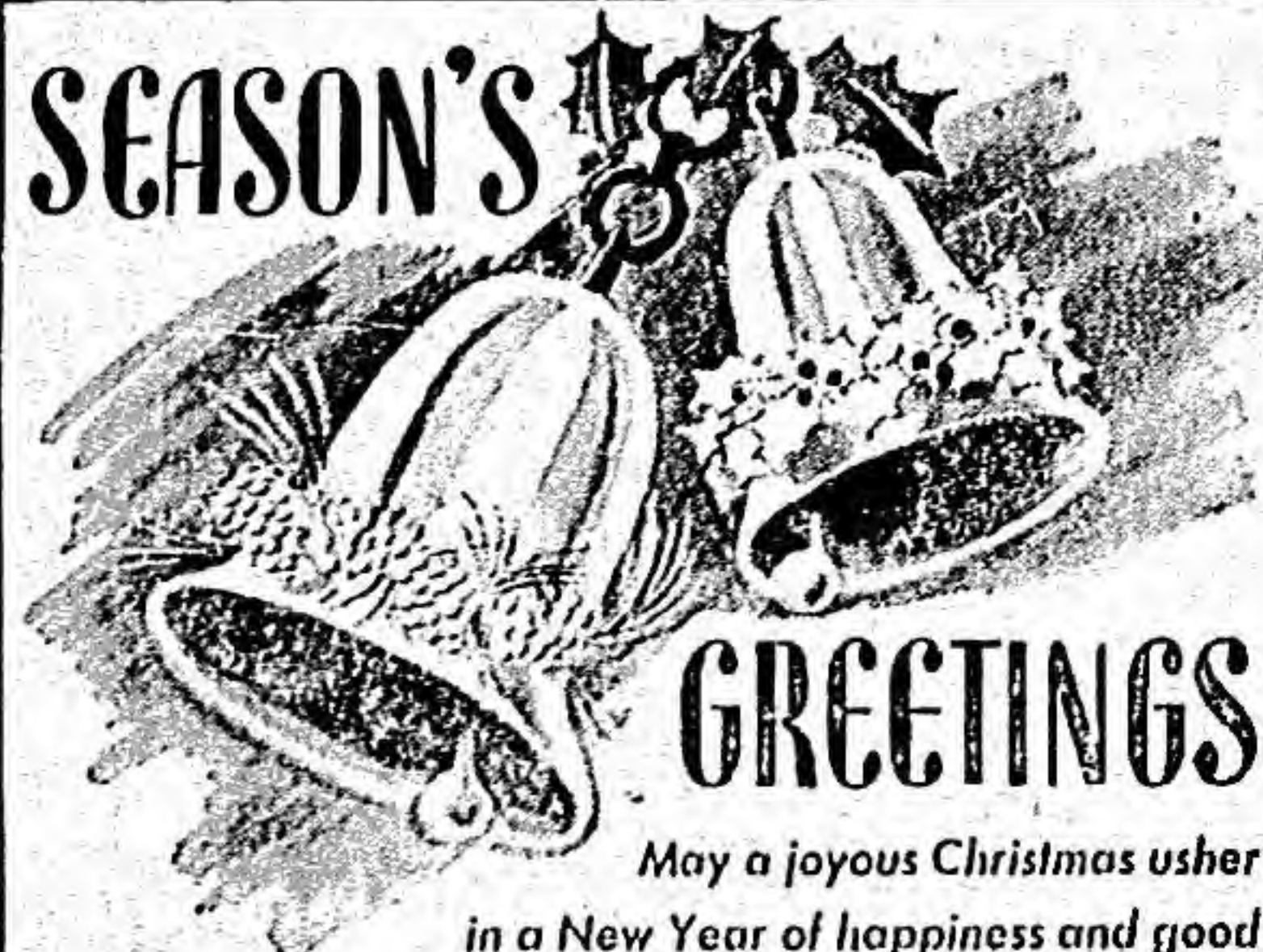
The good will and patronage accorded us by our friends these many years are worthy indeed of our sincerest wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

STEWART BEARE
RADIO APPLIANCES

Al Smith, Cec Gibson, Ora Larsen
Mickey Maguire.



JACK'S
GRILL

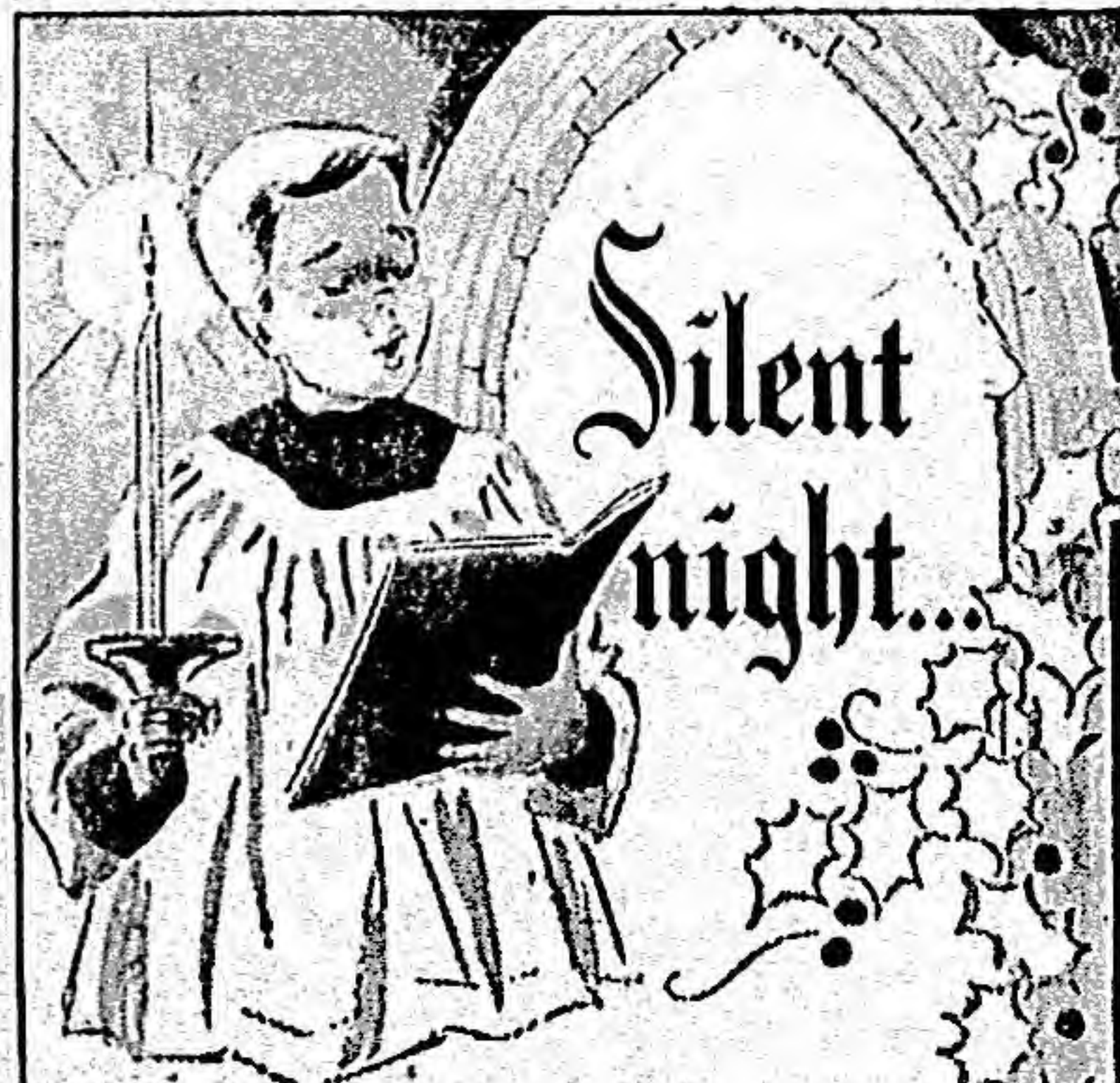


SEASON'S GREETINGS

May a joyous Christmas usher in a New Year of happiness and good health for all our cherished friends.

STEDMAN'S

5c to \$1.00 STORE Newmarket



Silent night...

As joyous songs of Christmas Night
Ring out in their own sweet way
May all be calm and all be bright
In the hearts of our friends this day.
A Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year to all.

GEER & BYERS
FRIGIDAIRE
DODGE AND DESOTO

Bolford St. Newmarket

Let Every Heart

By VERA TARPLEY

"But they don't believe in Christmas, Jim—you know that," Laura wished she hadn't spoken quit so loudly; her remark had stopped in midstream three rapid-running conversations. Her guests studied the rug pattern. Jim merely looked at his wife in silence.

"I mean, after all," she went on, "it's not their religion . . . so I assumed it would be embarrassing—to them—to invite them to our Christmas party." She swallowed uncomfortably.

"And I assumed that this party was for all the fellows in our office, including Ben." He smiled then, but didn't soften the accusation. Everyone in the room knew of the close friendship between Jim and Ben—they only guessed at his wife's resentment of the friendship.

Mr. Adams, office manager, broke the silence next. "I wouldn't worry about it too much, Jim. After all, Christmas is . . ." He emptied his glass and returned it to the coffee-table. "And we all feel a little differently about the holiday than they do."

About nine o'clock carolers came to the door, singing lustily and slightly off-key. "Let every heart prepare him room . . ." The oldest caroler was scarcely twelve. He rattled a box full of coins. Mr. Adams snatched the donation box from him, ceremoniously deposited nine pennies and passed from guest to guest, owing after each donation. "Everyone put in nickels and dimes. Jim put in a five-dollar bill and everyone shouted 'Show-off!'" Laura was annoyed at kept still. Laura and Jim's little girl, Bonny, was out caroling too, but her group covered different neighborhood.

No one noticed much when the telephone rang later in the evening and Jim went to answer it. But they noticed Jim's face when he returned to the living-room—it was white and twitched unpleasantly. Laura walked over to him. "Who was it, dear?"

"It was Ben—he called to apologize for not coming tonight." "His daughter's been in Children's Hospital for the past month, you know."

Adams broke in. "Say, that's



"He asked us to sing 'Silent Night' and guess what. He gave us \$10! And she invited us in and gave us candy and cookies."

right—Ben said she was pulling out of it—that was last week I believe. How's she doing, did he say?"

"She died this afternoon." Nobody seemed to have anything more to say after that. The party broke up within the next half-hour.

Just as the Adamsons were leaving, Bonny came in from caroling. She was flushed with happiness and excitement. Laura clutched her in her arms convulsively.

"Did your group make a big haul tonight, Bonny?"

"Did we!" she gasped. "We got more than any other group I bet! And Mom, we sang for that Mr. Ben at Daddy's office, and—"

"Oh, but you shouldn't have!" Laura looked at Jim with alarm. "Why not, Mom? He asked us to sing 'Silent Night,' and guess what? He gave us ten dollars! And she invited us in and gave us candy and cookies, and gee, they're nice! And I told them hello from you and Daddy, and you know what? She cried! Isn't that funny, mother?"

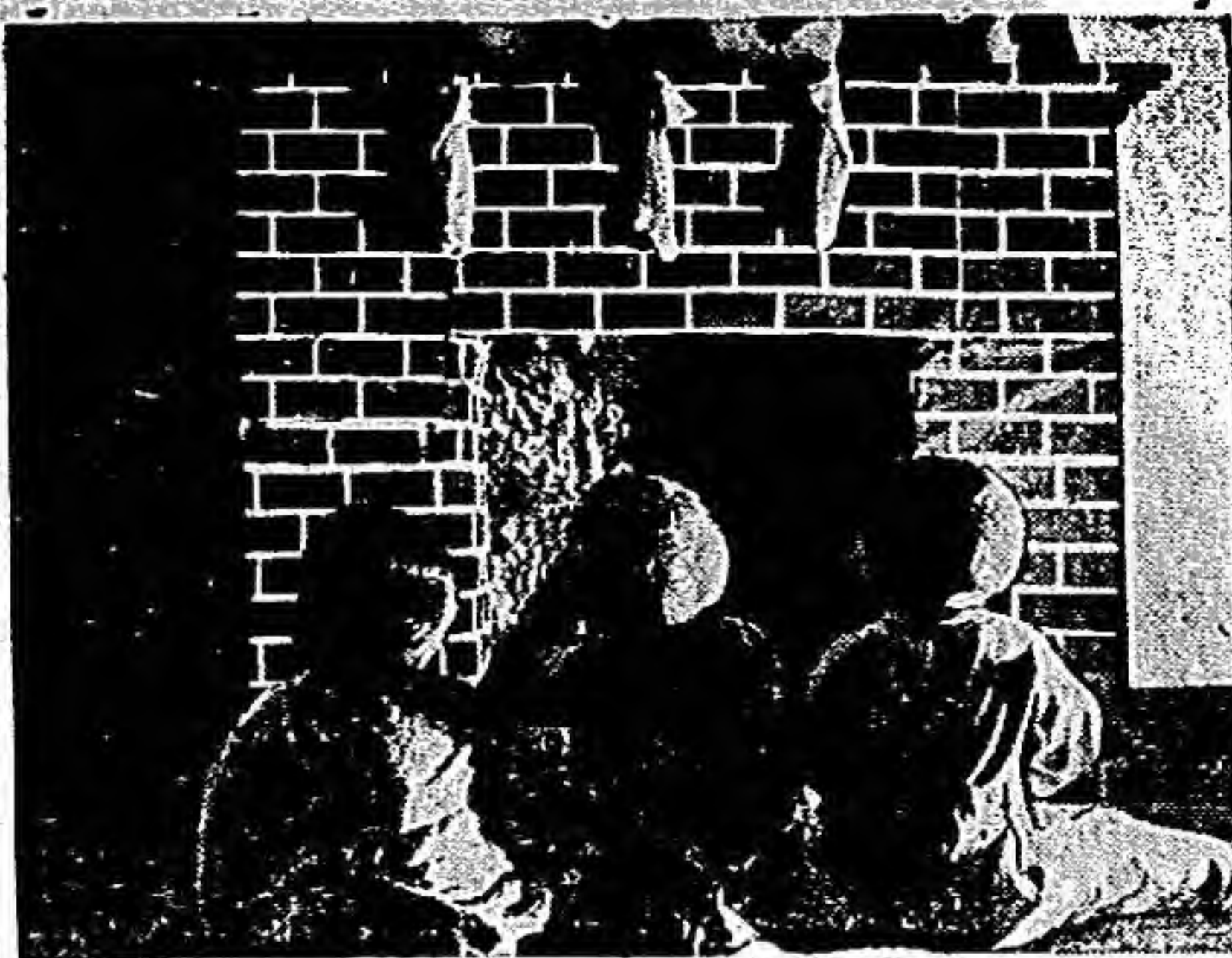
Jim looked at his stricken wife and wanted to take her in his arms, but Mr. and Mrs. Adams were standing there with their mouths open, so he merely grasped her hand firmly. Bonny babbled on happily.

"And you know what else? Mr. Ben asked me what the donations went for, and when I told him he took all the money out of his wallet and put it in our box, can you imagine? And then I asked him if he had any boys or girls like us and would they like to go caroling with us and he said no. And then she started crying again and we left. Wasn't that funny?"

Mr. Adams cleared his throat. "By the way, Bonny, just what were those donations for anyway? I forgot to notice."

"Why, for the Children's Hospital fund—or something like that—it was all printed on the box."

Buttons were first put on men's coat sleeves by Frederick the Great, to keep his soldiers from wiping their noses on their sleeves. January 1 became generally accepted as the first day in the year in 1752.



HOPE THAT SUSTAINS THE WORLD . . . If there is anything more touching and inspiring than the sight of a little boy or girl waiting patiently for the arrival of his beloved Santa Claus, the world has yet to produce it. With boundless hope, after hanging up his stocking, he finally goes to bed, knowing as surely as he knows his own mother and father, that the Giftbringer will have been there when he awakens.



Like Santa's pack, your stock of holiday goodies should be plentiful and interesting. Since callers will be as much present as holly and gifts during the holidays, do your baking of cakes and cookies, so your cupboard will be ready for any who might drop in.

Moine-made delicacies served during Christmas and New Year's are as heart-warming as the sound of the yule log crackling on the hearth. If you have a fruit cake, a variety of cookies and perhaps a few candies, and if you serve these with a festive beverage, you will have gone a long way in spelling holiday cheer to those who come to say "Merry Christmas" at your home.

Here is a simple type fruit cake which does not need the aging that a traditional cake requires. The recipe makes two 9 x 4 x 3 inch loaves and is the perfect answer as to what should be served during the holidays:

RAISIN FRUIT CAKE (Makes 2 loaves)

- 4 cups seeded raisins
- 2 tablespoons grated lemon rind
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon allspice
- 2 1/4 cups liquid
- 2 1/2 cups chopped nutmeats
- 1 cups sifted cake flour
- 5 teaspoons double acting baking powder
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup butter or shortening
- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 2 teaspoons vanilla

Combine raisins, lemon rind, spices and water in a saucepan. Cover and simmer gently for eight minutes. Drain, pressing out as much liquid as possible. Measure liquid and add water or coffee to make one and one-half cups, and reserve. Grind raisins with nutmeats.

Sift flour once, measure and add baking powder, salt and



Greetings of the Season

To all our friends, both old and new, we extend our best wishes for a Christmas of good cheer and a joyous New Year.

GOOD USED CARS
NEWMARKET
MOTOR SALES
Davis Dr. West

dates and nuts. Add sugar gradually to beaten eggs. Blend in cookie crumb mixture and vanilla. Bake in a greased and floured nine-inch square pan and bake in a slow (325°) oven for 30 minutes. While still warm, cut into 30 squares. Roll each square into a ball, turning the top, crusty portion inwards as you roll. Place confectioners' sugar in a bag. Shake the balls in the sugar to coat evenly.

Silver and gold coins have a rough edge because if they were smooth it would be easy to file off some of the valuable metal without changing the coin's appearance.



COMPLIMENTS
OF THE
SEASON

GIBBON'S
TRANSPORT

USE ERA AND EXPRESS CLASSIFIEDS IN TURNING
ARTICLES YOU NO LONGER NEED INTO CASH



To our many friends we send our sincerest Holiday Greetings. May the meaning of Christmas be deeper—its friendships stronger and its hopes brighter as it comes to you this year.

Doris Ladies Wear
NEWMARKET
74 Main St. Phone 114



say
Merry Christmas
with

Bus
Tickets

Mother and Dad or anyone on your Christmas list will appreciate such a thoughtful gift as a bus trip to the Sunny South,—to the bright lights of the big cities,—or a book of commuters' tickets for everyday use. Buy them from your local agent.



King George Hotel

Phone 300



IN THE Christmas Spirit

Each Christmas we realize anew, that our most rewarding possession is our many enriching friendships. And so to all our friends we wish a merry merry Christmas and a very happy New Year.

THE MARIGOLD GIFT SHOPPE
TED AND MARY ROBINSON



With Best Wishes for A MERRY CHRISTMAS

As tolling bells pierce the early morn with their Christmas proclamation, we extend to each and every one of you, our sincerest wishes for a Joyous Holiday.

YATES JEWELLERS
AND STAFF



Season's Greetings

We extend to everyone our warmest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a New Year of good health, prosperity and the happiness of many lasting friendships.

HARRY STEPAC
AND STAFF
97 Main St. Phone 864w

Such Lovely Flames

By John Scott Douglas
Fred Dobson plugged in the string of lights and then stood back to admire the blue and red and green candle globes on the Christmas tree. Ellen left the table she was setting to study the effect.

"Nice little tree, Fred. Seems a shame, though, not to be sharing it with someone. This was our year."

And then she stopped, and her face, still pretty in middle age, grew pink. Fred knew she'd been about to say that it was their year to have the Robbins to Christmas dinner. Every year since their children had married and left they had either entertained their neighbors or had been their guests.

But now, by mutual consent, the quarrel with the Robbins was not mentioned. It was characteristic of Ellen not to blame Fred and that took forbearance because Martha Robbins had been her dearest friend.

Ellen sighed. "Goodness! the turkey must be almost ready."

Fred thought of their quarrel, which had started because of a cocker puppy which wouldn't stay home. Tom, with his usual consideration for his neighbors, had started to build a fence to keep the dog out of the Dobson's garden. Fred thought the fence was a foot within his own property line, and jokingly said so.

Tom had laughed, "Who's paying for it?" "I'll pay half," Fred had said, "if you'll buy the strip you're using."

The joke, within a matter of days, had taken on an edge, and then they gave up speaking. No longer did they fish and hunt together, or play in their usual Saturday foursomes.

By then, beginning to fume at Tom's high-handedness, Fred had his property surveyed, only to discover that his garden had in reality extended onto his neighbor's property. The fence was where it belonged.

Fred wanted to apologize, but every time he stepped outside, Tom walked into the house.

Within a matter of seconds, Fred was too busy to think of the quarrel. The little Christmas tree was on fire and crackling fiercely. He flung open the door and screamed, "Fire! help!" And then, snatching up the hall runner he'd been planning to replace, he knocked over the tree and began beating out the flames.

Behind him Tom called, "Stay with it, pal—I'll get something."

He was back in a moment with a rake. Lifting the smoldering tree with the tines, he hurled it out onto the snowy lawn.

Martha Robbins had appeared by then. Seeing Ellen staring dazedly at the cloud of smoke and the blackened wall where the tree had stood, she opened the windows and then slipped her arm around Ellen's shoulders.

"Poor dear! And just when you were sitting down to your Christmas dinner. After the smoke has thinned, this room will be freezing. You and Fred are having dinner with us."

Ellen looked happy but flustered. "But this was our year—" "Nonsense!" Tom said heartily. "We'll eat with you next year."

"That will be swell," Fred said, beaming. When they started Martha Robbins' bountiful dinner, there was at first a little stiffness, but Tom was soon joking about Fred's "high forehead," and Fred was asking Tom if he'd considered selling his hair to a wire-brush factory.

As they said hearty farewells later, Tom remarked, "Can't say I'm sorry about that fire. We've sure missed you folks."

"And it was all my fault, Fred said. 'I was wrong about—'" "Aw, forget it," Tom interrupted. "How about some golf Saturday?"

When they reached home Fred looked at the blackened wall speculatively. "No real damage done, Ellen. A coat of paint will fix it up."

"How do you suppose the tree ever caught fire?" Ellen asked. Fred grinned sheepishly. "A match and a bunch of tissue paper may have helped."

The practice of placing burning candles in the windows on Christmas eve is tied up with an Irish custom which holds the thought of the Christ child alone in the dark, needing light for His way.

Christmas Greetings

GOOD THINGS COME IN SMALL PACKAGES!
Our wishes come in just two words —

MERRY CHRISTMAS!
McCAFFREY'S FLOWERS
6 Timothy St. Phone 571J



Toys For The Children

How did you choose the toys for your youngsters this Christmas?

A New York toy manufacturer declares that only a few parents will select the proper playthings for their children each Christmas.

Most, he said, buy toys that please themselves, rather than the children.

The man who owns a company that makes creative playthings, warns that "gadgets" toys may be harmful and frustrating. And, he adds, children quickly tire of them.

"The best toy a parent can buy," he said, "is a set of plain unpainted, wooden unit blocks."

Merry Christmas AND A Very Happy New Year

BUDD STUDIO
75 Main St. Phone 431
Newmarket

St. John School Has Annual Christmas Concert

On Monday evening, Dec. 11, also a pupil of Miss Harris, in the town hall, the pupils of St. John's school, Newmarket, staged their annual Christmas concert before a large and appreciative audience. The stage was beautifully decorated in white, red, silver and green, with floral sprays and school crests.

The Newmarket Citizens' Band entertained the audience before the program began and during the interludes. Their selections of the beloved Christmas carols and old time favorites were highlights in the evening's performance.

John Insley, a recent graduate of the school, was the efficient chairman for the evening's performance which consisted of two choruses by the senior pupils, O Canada and While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks.

Mary Vale, a grade six pupil who won first place in the separate school final contest in oratory for York county, gave her prize-winning speech entitled The History of Newmarket.

The junior pupils gave two musical numbers which were followed by two recitations by the Curran twins, Donald and Douglas.

Piano selections were given by Paul Forhan, Barry Buckler, Denise Tunney and Jim Hugo. Miss Kathleen Quigley, Toronto, a pupil of Miss Viola Harris School of Dancing, danced a "skipping tap" and a "toe" dance. Miss Quigley was accompanied at the piano by her mother, Mary Agnes Curran.

He contends boys from ages two to seven mostly enjoy "transportation" play — trucks, cars and boats.

There was no statement about what parents should choose at Christmas for the young teenage boy or girl—in the 13-16 year-old group, whose interests already are deeply grained in social activities, and who prefer parties and dances to play-at-home activities.

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Greetings

We join the merry carolers to wish our friends the best of Christmas Cheer.

VICTOR'S SHOE STORE
122 Main St.

A Merry Christmas

Straight from the heart comes our wish to our many friends for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

NEWMARKET ICE AND COLD STORAGE

It's Christmas again...

... and the twinkling lights that mark this as the most joyous time of the year are reflected in the eyes of young and old alike. In many families during the past year the lives of dear ones have been saved by the brave deeds of unselfish Canadians... many of whom have been presented with The Dow Award. We are proud to give public recognition to these gallant men, women and children. For it is courage like theirs that is making this Christmas a happier one in many homes... and this Canada of ours a happier and greater land.

THE DOW AWARD
PRESENTED FOR OUTSTANDING MERIT
BOW BREWERY - MONTREAL

Greetings

To all whose friendship we cherish so much . . .
A Merry Christmas
A Happy New Year



**SMITH'S
HARDWARE
and STAFF**
NEWMARKET

Wishing you

...a beautiful
Christmas and
a successful
New Year.



**HANDS SALES'
AND SERVICE**
Queen and Main Newmarket

SINCERE Greetings


Our heartfelt wishes
that you may enjoy a
truly Merry Christmas
and all the good fortune
to make the New Year
a happy one.



CONSTABLE AND MAGEE
INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER DEALERS
Newmarket Phone 900

Greetings of the Season

...and may the spirit of
Christmas bring most wonderful
messages to you.



**DON CAMERON'S DAIRY
AND STAFF**
No Delivery Dec. 25 or Jan. 1

One-Track Mind

By SHIRLEY SARGENT

The very nicest thing about Henry Ellis, Henry had decided, was the fact that he was nine years old. He possessed another attribute variously described by his mother as stubbornness, stupidity, and the result of a one track mind.

To get something he really wanted, Henry had learned from experience, he always had to work hard and long. Pestering his mother for what he wanted came easiest.

"Why not, Mom?" he begged. "Why can't I do it? I want to more than anything in the world. I'd be so good you wouldn't know me."

Finally his mother gave in to his endless teasing and what she considered impossible promises.

"All right, all right," she said. "We'll see if you can be good for a whole month and then—well, we'll see."

His long-awaited goal was in sight, but Henry had to admire his mother's shrewdness. Knowing that Rita, who was five, would keep close tab on him, Mrs. Ellis put her in Henry's charge for the month. Playing nursemaid to a five-year-old was a stern task, even when he could be as nasty as he wanted—but taking care of her on his



Soundly sleeping, he lay back in the chair, in one hand a noise-maker, clutched limply in the other, a large horn. The box in his lap contained piles of confetti.

good behavior was purely awful. All this time she would faint her demands with "Or I'll tell mama."

Only once he told her calmly but desperately, "If I ever have any children, they'll all be boys or all be girls. I'm not going to make any little boy of mine have a little sister. No sir, I'll give him a turtle or a goat or something he wants, not a little sister."

Rita just barely listened to him before demanding, "Now be a turtle for me, Henry. Crawl like a turtle and pull your head in a shell."

The days crept past Christmas and Henry knew that being good was surely a most terrible experience. Then at last the month was over and he heard his mother asking, "Had enough of being good, Henry?"

Feeling it to be a trick question, he answered casually that "... would be fun to see the fellows again, and just sort of all over relax!" She laughed, encouraging him to go on. "Hey, mom, well, can I do it—you know?"

She kissed him, saying, "Yes." Henry yelled "Hooray!" as he ran into his room. Gosh, it had been worth waiting for after all—my but he hated girls, though. Ugh! There were some very important matters to attend to before he was quite ready. They wouldn't take so long, but the waiting would. He started unwrapping his packages. Thanks to mom, life was really fine.

A little before 12 that night Mrs. Ellis, noting the silence, went into Henry's room. His lights were blazing but the boy was asleep in a chair drawn close to an open window. She walked quietly over beside him. A whole month—thirty arduous days devoted to being good—he had worked for this night, and now he was asleep with the sum total of his dreams in his lap and fists. Soundly sleeping, he lay back in the chair, in one hand a noise-maker, clutched limply in the other, a large horn. The box in his lap contained piles of confetti, while reams of paper streamers were laid neatly over the chair arms. There was a ridiculous paper hat crushed into the chair back by his head, and, on the table near him, there was another horn. It had a white card tied on it labelled simply "For mother."

So, she thought, with tears in her eyes, a little man's plan for one night had included his mother. She shook him gently, settled his hat more perkily on his head, and picked up her own horn. Noise seemed suspended in the air.

"Wake up, little one track mind," she said, sitting him up straight. "Hurry and wake up so you can wish me a Happy New Year!"

The wild boar has been revered from ancient times, and was especially honored at Christmas-time for having taught mankind the art of plowing by rooting into the ground with his tusks.

QUESTIONS ON CHRISTMAS



1. The Swedes know kissing is fun. That's why they thought of the Christmas custom. What should be done to the mistletoe for each custom? (a) remove a berry (b) do nothing (c) take off a leaf.



2. We ought to know the names of the Three Wise Men who were the first givers of Christmas gifts. They were Melchior, Balthazar and (a) Solomon (b) Casper (c) Shadrach?



3. Everyone likes to get lots of Christmas cards. When did the custom of sending them start? (a) about 1845 (b) about 1781 (c) about 1903.



4. Who first had the idea of building a small replica of a manger for the Christmas ceremony? (a) Pope Gregory (b) Piers Plowman (c) St. Francis of Assisi.



5. The Christmas tree is the heart of our Christmas decorations. Which country first used the tree as a part of holiday observance? (a) Germany (b) Norway (c) France.



6. "Silent Night, Holy Night," one of the most beloved of Christmas hymns, was written by (a) Beethoven (b) Father Joseph Mohr (c) Martin Luther?

Bringer of Gifts

In American on Christmas Eve, there is a merry tinkle of sleigh bells as Santa Claus drives up in a sleigh drawn by eight reindeer.

He drives from roof to roof, pausing just long enough to climb down each chimney. From a huge pack on his back he fills the children's stockings with toys and goodies. Gifts that are too large to be stuffed in the stockings are put on the Christmas tree or stacked underneath it.

This is Christmas in America - but it is not always Santa who brings the gifts to children in other lands.

The Dutch children anxiously await the arrival on Christmas of St. Nicholas. He was the bishop of Myra, so he is dressed in the traditional bishop's robes of black, wears a mitre and carries a crozier.

He rides a white horse and is accompanied by Black Peter, his page boy. Instead of hanging up their stockings to hold the gifts, the Dutch children place their wooden shoes in the chimney corner before going to bed. On the window sills they leave a bunch of hay for "Sleipner," the bishop's white horse. It is customary for St. Nicholas to overturn chairs and leave the room in general confusion for Christmas morning.

English children wait for a Santa Claus who closely resembles our own. They also find gifts tied to a green Christmas tree, but this custom has been in effect only since Queen Victoria was a young bride. She married Albert, a German prince, and it was he who introduced this Christmas custom to England from Germany.

It is an angel who leaves the gifts in Czechoslovakia. She descends on a golden cloud to accompany Santa.

In Scandinavia gifts are distributed during the supper hour. They are brought by dwarfs and the children leave bowls of porridge on the doorstep for them. Santa comes riding on a goat instead of a reindeer.

The birds receive the largest number of gifts in Sweden. Each family places a sheaf of grain on a pole or on the fence posts for the birds' Christmas dinner.

Spanish children place their straw-filled sleeves on the window sills so the Magi may feed their horses while they leave gifts. The older people fill an Urn of Fate from which the gifts are drawn on Christmas

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Passengers travelling on Christmas Day in aircraft of British Overseas Airways Corporation will find that the festive occasion has not been overlooked. During the flight a traditional English Christmas dinner of turkey and plum pudding will be served.

THE DEVIL'S KNELL

The Yorkshire, England, town of Dewsbury has a sombre Christmas custom. Seven hundred years ago a boy was murdered and his body thrown into a nearby stream. The crime was discovered and the murderer, one Thomas de Soothill, presented a tenor bell to Dewsbury church as a penance. Every Christmas Eve the bell known as the Devil's Knell is tolled as many times as the number of years that have elapsed since the birth of Christ.

Tell the truth about Santa

Among the myriad problems which beset parents at Christmas time are the many questions from the small-fry about Santa Claus. And the business of telling Junior or his little sister the truth about the jolly old gentleman in the red suit is really a major task.

However, the situation is bound to arise, and when it does, it does something to your heart strings - so you draw the little ones close and cast about for the best explanation.

Oddly enough, the true story is best - and the easiest to tell. So why not just tell the little ones this?

St. Nicholas (or Nicolas) is Santa Claus' real name. He lived in Asia Minor and was the beloved bishop of the Greek church of Myra in Lycia. He is the patron saint of the young, and in some European countries a person dressed as a bishop still assembles the children and distributes gifts of nuts, sweetmeats and other nice things to the good boys and girls.

Children loved St. Nicholas and trudged along beside him as he trudged the dusty roads of the Lycia countryside, bringing fruit and candy to the sick and needy.

One of the many stories told of his goodness concerns a poor and honest man and his three good and beautiful daughters. The father was unhappy for poverty prevented his giving the customary dowries to his daughters, and for this reason they could never have suitable husbands.

One night a bag of coins was tossed in at the man's window. The next night the act was repeated. But on the third night the father watched, and the anonymous giver was detected. The jolly bishop stood with the third bag of coins in his hands. The father was very proud and would not accept the money. The good bishop begged the poor man to accept the gifts and use them for his daughter's dowries, requesting that his name never be revealed.

At last, the father accepted the money for his daughters, but he could not keep the name of the generous bishop a secret - so the legend of the goodness of St. Nicholas was further spread and strengthened.

When buying toys for children remember that those of the constructive types are best - they develop the youngsters' ingenuity.

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Then Came Three Wise Men

Legend not only has identified the wise men as Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar, it has crowned them and given them the kingdoms of Tarsus, Arabia and Ethiopia. It has symbolized their gifts as symbolic of what Jesus was to become - gold for a king, frankincense for a high priest and myrrh for a great physician.

The Gospel text's specific wise men from the east logically identifies them with Zoroastrianism - an ancient monotheistic religion of Persia. Zoroastrian priests were called Magi; they were powerful in public and private life since they, and they alone, possessed the priestly mysteries involved in the worship of Mazda - who represented the Zoroastrian power for good.

The Magi may or may not have been fabulously wealthy. St. Matthew does not elaborate their treasures nor the amount of gold, frankincense and myrrh which they presented to the Christ Child. The gifts may have been mere tokens of their treasures, or the sum and substance thereof.

Christmas Presents

By Shirley Sargent

The small kitten called Tupid watched preparations for Christmas dully. Only the middle boy, one Archie Raymond, noticed his spathy. The tree, in all its green splendor, stood tall in the living room bedecked with an increasing number of ornaments.

"Careful," Marcia Raymond admonished her son sharply. "Don't hang those big balls down so low. The kitten will break them."

Gently Archie lifted them to a higher bough, drawing in the pungent scent of the pine. Only he saw that the kitten walked slowly under the tree unaware of the boughs tickling her furry back. His youngest brother had named the roly-poly butterscotch kitten Tupid. Young Billy was easily aroused to fits of anger.

His favorite expression, under stress, was a lisped, "You 'tupid, you big 'tupid."

Archie, his ten-year-old brother, Joe, and his parents laugh-



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ed at the little boy's wrath and, because the kitten was slower than the others in the litter, they named him, most affectionately, Tupid.

"Archie," Mrs. Raymond was flurried from all the excitement. "That blue globe is much too low. Tupid will get it. I don't doubt," she added pessimistically, "that we will lose half of our globes."

Archie could see that Tupid had no interest either in the swaying boughs or the brilliant-colored fragile balls. For two days Tupid had wandered carelessly about the house and yard. He wasn't playful or friendly and he had stopped purring. Only Archie sensed that the kitten was lonesome for his sisters and brothers and his mother. At first there had been four balls of fur and a proud old alley cat mother. As they grew, they had become playful, pattering swiftly through the house. But now they were all gone, including the mother. Just Tupid was left to keep. Even the black imp with shoe-button eyes had been given away. Tar Baby, who had been the boss of the litter, had been gone barely two days, and Tupid missed him.

"Well," his father's voice boomed again, as he climbed down the ladder. "All done in time for Christmas Eve. Come here, Joe, Archie, you too Billy, want you to see this fine tree?" Mrs. Raymond switched the lights off and Archie shivered in a delighted excitement as the tree blazed, illumined by the trings of lights and balls. The magic moment was shattered by the sharp ring of the doorbell.

A rush of cold air came in as Mr. Raymond flung open the door wide to admit a bundled figure. "My father says I can't keep the kitten," Gerald Parks excited automatically, close to ears. "I have to give it back because it gives my father hay fever." Gerald went out in another rush of frosty air, but not before Mrs. Raymond had pressed a fat candy cane into his mittened hand.

Tar Baby huddled in the middle of the floor. "Watch it, boys," Mr. Raymond warned. "Let's just watch him. He feels strange here now; he'll be all right in a while."

Archie saw Tupid jump from the sofa with a purr of delight. Tupid circled and smelled at the black kitten until he was satisfied. Then his tongue flicked out to lick the kitten. Tupid's paws caressed him as his tongue washed him. The black kitten stood passive as Tupid showered his pent-up love on him.

"Thay, mommy," Billy lisped, "Tupid's kissing him, isn't he?" "Um," Mrs. Raymond agreed, "Tar Baby's Tupid's Christmas present."

Mr. Raymond's eyes swept his sons' awe-struck faces. "No," he said firmly, "He's our Christmas present too."

The first Christmas card was designed in 1845. Poinsettias which have come to be a "must" for Christmas decorations, owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar - Joel Robert Poinsett.

Ralph Fixes Things Up

By Dorothy Boys Kilian

It was Christmas Eve but the group of people sitting on the floor in the Reeds' living-room certainly weren't in a festive mood.

"Doggonit," Dad exclaimed as he stared gloomily at the shiny tracks and the motionless cars of a new electric train. "What's wrong with this thing anyway?"

"We've put it together exactly according to directions, I'm sure we have," fifteen-year-old Rick insisted.

"Well, something's got to be done," said Mom, looking in from the kitchen where she was stuffing the turkey. "Little Jackie's been praying for that train for months, and how'll he feel tomorrow morning if the thing won't run?"

"Maybe Ralph can help. He's coming by for me in a few minutes, you know," said Wilma, the pretty big sister of the family. "Oh, him!" Rick was scornful. "That guy from the big city with his socks and ties and handkerchiefs that match! What does he know about motors?"

"Rick!" Mom reproved. "Oh, I know you all think of him as an outsider," Wilma said. "If you only really knew him better! Mom, I do wish you'd let me ask him to breakfast tomorrow."

"I'm sorry dear, but I just don't think he'd fit in." The doorbell rang. Wilma answered it and she and Ralph exchanged happy hellos.

Rick immediately threw out the challenge to the tall, blond, well-dressed young man. "We can't make this train go. Can you tell what's wrong with it?" "Maybe," Ralph said quietly. "I used to have a train something like this."

"Look out, that cotton batting stuff will stick to your trousers," Dad warned.

"That's snow, and the snow around here is clean."

Dad looked slightly startled. Wilma smiled. She remembered how impressed Ralph had been by the whiteness of the drifts even on Main street last night.

"The flakes are practically sooty before they even reach the ground in Chicago," he had said.

"Tracks are O.K." Ralph straightened up. Then he picked up the shiny black engine

carefully and turned it over and over. He put it up to eye level and peered into its workings. "The professional touch!" Rick muttered.

"There may be oil in the commutator," Ralph said. "That sometimes happens with a new engine, I'll see if I can get it out."

"I'll get you a rag, Ralph, just a minute." Wilma got up and started for the kitchen.

"Never mind, this'll do," Ralph answered, pulling his perfectly folded wine-colored handkerchief out of his jacket pocket.

He worked quietly for a moment, gently poking the corner of the handkerchief into the inside of the engine. Then he set the engine carefully down on the track and said, "Turn on the juice, will you Rick?"

Rick meekly moved forward the black lever at the transformer. There was a whirring



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sound, the wheels began to move, and the little puffer-billy whizzed and clacked around the curve.

"Praises be!" Dad heaved a loud sigh of relief.

Ralph quietly got up from the floor and turned to Wilma. "Maybe we'd better go now, if we want to catch the gang."

"All right, Ralph," Wilma said. Her eyes turned pleadingly to Mrs. Reed. "Mom—"

"Oh, yes, Wilma," Mom interrupted. Turning to Ralph she said heartily, "In all the excitement we almost forgot to ask

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RE-APPOINTED TO BOARD

W. J. Geer, Newmarket, was re-appointed a member of the Newmarket-Sutton District high school board at a council meeting last week.



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A Joy No Earthly Wealth Can Give

There is an old tale which becomes apropos chiefly at the Christmas time.

An agnostic—a disbeliever in God—made this offer to a nine-year old:

"I will give you an orange if you will tell me where God is."

The youngster was equal to the challenge. "I will give you two oranges," he said, "if you will tell me where He is not."

Many great men have always felt the spirituality of Christmas, and some have managed to put it into words. For instance, when Woodrow Wilson was asked to prove the greatness of Christianity, whose founder was the Christ-child, he said simply, "Try it."

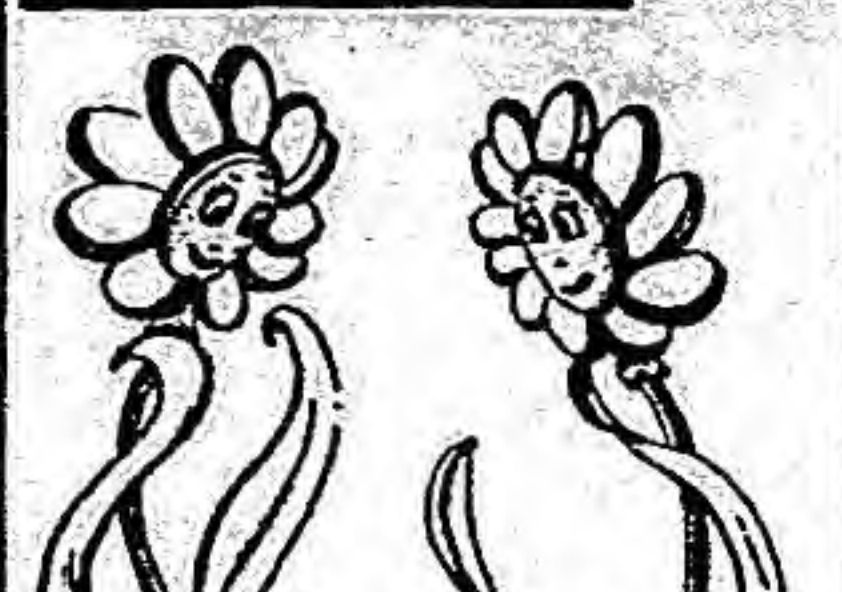
Cardinal Spellman had a Christmas gift for the mind when he said:

"The joy of Christmas is a joy that war cannot kill, for it is a joy of the soul, and the soul cannot die. A joy no earthly wealth can give. Time cannot wither. Poverty cannot prevent the joy of Christmas, for it is Christmas, for it belongs to eternity. The world cannot shatter it, for it is a union with Him who has overcome the world."

The late Franklin D. Roosevelt once illustrated the spirit of Christmas with this story:

"A thief broke into the home of a priest and stole his purse. That night the priest wrote in his diary: 'Let me be thankful. First because I was never robbed before. Second because although he took my purse, he never took my life. Third because although he took all I had it was not much. And fourth because it was he who stole, and not I.'"

CHRISTMAS DOINGS



GOLDEN GLOW says

I told you in last week's paper that there were more jolly Christmas events for the coming week and I'll just have to keep on and tell about them! It was a sort of "to be continued in our next", so I'll have to redeem my promise (even if I am up to my ears in my own Christmas preparations), and tell you what they were.

We started off Monday evening, the first of the week, at the annual Christmas concert of St. John's school and as always, the hall was packed. The stage was again made beautiful by the clever fingers of the Sisters with Christmas decorations and the scholars under their tuition and training gave us a wonderful program. The Citizens' Band again was present to fill in between acts and also before the program started, they entertained the huge audience with Christmas music.

John Insley acted as chairman and announced the different items. Last year John was the winner of the oratorical contest and he delivered his address in splendid form. This year it was Mary Vale and she gave us her winning speech on our town of Newmarket, much to everyone's pleasure and satisfaction. There were piano duets and solos, plays and choruses, dances and two fine coronet selections by Rodney West as well as two piano accordion solos by John Giovannelli.

The final number was a sacred Christmas drama, ending in a most beautiful tableau of the angels who came on and off several times, singing a low, sweet song each time. There was also a young lady ballet dancer, a small "Hillman lassie" who danced in correct highland costume and again in Irish dress. The square dance was so cute and so pretty with the "ladies" in gay colored gowns and hats. We all did some hearty clapping, but they did not give us an encore!

It is hard to boil this down to a few sentences as I really must, for there were so many jolly items to tell about—but one thing I want to mention before I leave the subject, and that was the piano duet by two small boys, another splendid piano solo by a young man and tiny Denise Tunney, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tunney, Niagara St.

Words fail me when I try to put it down in ink! She was perfectly composed and she gave us two wonderful selections. She is so tiny that you wondered how she could reach the piano keys. What power in her small wrists and fingers! She came out so sweetly, curtsied to the audience and said what her selection would be, laid her music on top of the piano, mounted the piano bench and then, well! Such a finisher rendering of a difficult selection, you just couldn't believe your eyes and ears. It was amazing, we scarcely had caught our breath after her first selection to listen appreciatively to her second selection! And was it last year or two years ago when she was so very tiny, standing on a stool, conducting the rhythm band and we thought her performance then something marvellous and altogether astonishing!

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ually to fire chief Joe Brammer, "I think you'd better come too, Joe." All unsuspecting, Mr. Brammer complied, looking a bit mystified as to why, but he soon found out when the mayor turned to him and said:

"Mr. Brammer, we hear you are resigning your position as fire chief after 37 years," and proceeded to make a splendid speech telling of the gallant service Mr. Brammer had rendered the town, and asked him on behalf of the town, through the town council, to accept a cheque for \$100. Mr. Brammer was so overcome by astonishment he could scarcely catch his breath to reply, but made a capital speech. Then the revee, in a few well chosen words, presented Mrs. Brammer, whom they also had invited to the front, with an arm bouquet of long-stemmed American Beauty roses. Mrs. Brammer made a neat little thank you speech in quite a composed manner, considering the surprise she had experienced in finding herself and her husband the centre of attraction.

They were taking their seats when they were called back, and this time it was Councillor Frank Bowser who did the presentation, and it was a cozy, comfortable, upholstered chair, as Frank said, a "24-hour-a-day chair, Mrs. Brammer could use it in the day time and Joe at night".

Then to relieve the tension, Santa Claus bounced in the door and proceeded to distribute the gifts. Every child received a gift, the children of the firemen and the children of the councillors and each lady there received a box of chocolates. Oh, it was a real Christmas party, with a beautifully decorated and gaily lighted Christmas tree loaded with gifts.

Then the firemen set up the tables for the bountiful Christmas supper and invited the ladies to be seated and proceeded to serve us right royally. The children had a table up by the stage and the councillors and wives one at the far end, with the firemen and wives in between, and maybe I shouldn't mention names, but at the fathers' table was a most gorgeous, and also delicious cake, made by fireman Ainsley's wife.

Then the tables were cleared away and the rest of the night was spent in dancing. must stop or this will have cut down.

So Happy Christmas everybody from Golden Glow, and cheer up for today is the shortest day and tomorrow the sun starts back north! It is the winter solstice and we should have a full moon for Christmas.



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The Village Has A Heart

Dorothy Boys Kilian

The clock struck nine as Nola hung the last bauble on the fragrant green Christmas tree. Without even stepping back to admire the finished effect she went to the front window and peered out. A cold white moon illumined a cold white earth. She shivered. How lonely she had been in this tiny, quiet village!

When she had written Jim two months before that she was being evicted from their apartment in Chicago he had answered, "I'm hoping against hope to be home from occupation duty in time for Christmas, and I can't think of any place more perfect than Pineville to spend the holidays and my terminal leave. Remember my telling you what happy summers I spent there as a child, and how I'd always wanted to see it in winter? Do investigate this, as a Christmas present for me, Nola darling."

So she had come here and found a house. But somehow

she felt that the villagers had ignored her as an outsider.

And now it was Christmas Eve. "He's not going to make it and that's that," Nola thought miserably. She knew that he had landed at San Francisco three days before and had been trying desperately to get a seat on a train or plane.

The telephone rang. "There's a telegram just come for you, Mrs. West, down here at the drug store. Very important."

"Yes?" Nola breathed.

"Chicago, 8 p.m. Am catching train. Get off Shoreham five miles east of Pineville 10 p.m. love Jim."

Nola leaned heavily against the wall and stared at the phone. "Mrs. West, are you there?" Mr. Trotter, the druggist, sounded anxious. "Listen, you go out in the garage and get your car motor warming up. My wife'll be up there in five minutes to stay with your little boy. Hurry now."

In joyful haste Nola peeked in at Jimmy—"Santa Claus is bringing you your Daddy, honey"—powdered her nose and put on her fur coat and boots.

The garage door stuck in its icy groove although she bent her whole weight against it. Suddenly, out of the darkness, a voice called. "It's me, Doc Ryan. We're on your party line you know, and heard the good news. I'm so used to driving out in all kinds of weather, my wife thought I'd better take you over."

"Dr. Ryan, I didn't realize 'til just now how I dreaded that trip alone."

A train whistle shrieked through the cold thin air as they drove up to the little depot.

"We made it!" Nola cried exultingly. "Come on." She held open the door.

But Doc muttered, "I'll stay here and keep my feet warm."

Now the huge black engine roared past, slowed down and slid to a stop. A coach vestibule door opened, and before the conductor could step down, a khaki-clad figure leaped on to the platform.

"Oh, darling, darling, darling." Nola's heart throbbed as she felt once more the thrilling warmth of Jim's arms around her.

"Nola! Jim said everything in that word."

A few moments later as they walked to the car a voice boomed from within, "Glad you made it."

"Whoever you are—thanks," Jim answered. "It's people like you who made me want Nola to come to Pineville to wait for me."

"Get in and close the door. You're freezing me out," Doc grinned as he raced the motor.

"Christmas Eve," Jim said softly as they squeezed in with Doc. "You beside me, our baby just a few miles away and a Christmas card place like Pineville to welcome us. Don't you love it there, darling?"

Nola glanced at Doc, thought of Mrs. Trotter and the others. "Yes, Jim, I do," she whispered. "I surely do."

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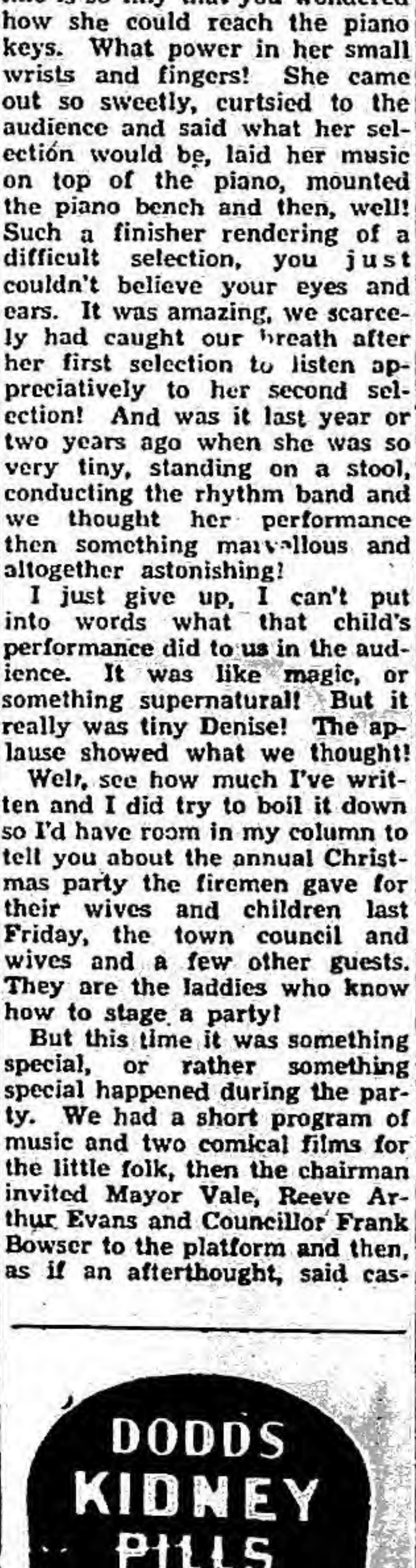
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